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From the Board
By Joanne Larson, Region 2 Director

News from the AHS Board of Directors meeting in Cincinnati:

- AHS membership is down from last year for a total of 10,257 as of 6-27-05. Membership continues to be a concern since it is the major source of society income. A survey was approved that will be sent to a random sample of current AHS members regarding services and programs. If you have received one, I hope you have completed and returned it.
- A dues increase will be on our agenda for the fall board meeting.
- The purchase of updated technology to handle the registration database was approved by the Board. Good news is that when the new program is up and running, registration information will be available on-line for our research. And speaking of research, if you have internet access, check out the AHS website at www.daylilies.org. Award winners are listed, the dictionary is very useful, all kinds of AHS forms can be downloaded, and there are lists of doubles, spiders, unusual forms and polytepals.
- A very important part of the cultivar awards and honors process is the Garden Judge. Over the last few years changes have been made in the requirements, but those have been relaxed a bit. Now you need only two years of AHS membership before becoming a Garden Judge. (Read more about this on page 7.)
- A new AHS publication, 100+ pages with color photos, on spiders and unusual forms is in process and should be available for pre-purchase when you send in your 2006 dues. In the planning stage is a booklet on doubles.
- Five new slide/video programs have been created, available for club programs or for your use if you present programs to garden clubs or other groups in your community. A total of 36 programs are available for rent.
- For photography awards, requirements have been changed for Mildred Schlumpf Awards. Digital images are now eligible for these individual bloom and landscape awards; permission for digital image submission is sought for the Roquemore (clump photos) and Region 14 Slide Sequence Awards also.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have concerns or questions about AHS. I hope to see you at our Region 2 Symposium!
Some of our Region’s Business

♦ RVP Nominating Committee
The 2005 Region 2 business meeting was held Thursday, June 30, in Cincinnati. Members elected an RVP nominating committee to search for a qualified candidate. The election will take place during the Region 2 Summer Meeting July 21-23, 2006, in Cleveland, Ohio. Sharon Fitzpatrick (Ohio) is the chair, and Mary Milanowski (our former RVP from Michigan) and Lea Ann Williams (our AHS Garden Judges Chair from Indiana) are serving as members of the committee.

♦ Bylaws/Standing Rule-II
Several members had brought their concerns to the regional board. They pointed out the difficulty of a new club hosting a regional summer meeting, with relatively few members and a small treasury. The membership voted to add a Standing Rule-II to our Bylaws that will allow the Region 2 officers and its Region 2 treasury to advance an amount of up to $2,000 to a hosting local club as “start-up” money. Having money available for required, up-front deposits may make it easier for new clubs or smaller clubs to volunteer sponsorship of a Region 2 Summer meeting. Please be sure to read the Region 2 Meeting Minutes (page 8) and the newly added Standing Rule II. If you would like to have a full copy of our Region 2 Bylaws, please contact your club president, your RVP, or visit our Region 2 Web Pages (http://www.ahsregion2.org).

♦ Club Updates and Information Posted on our Region 2 Web Pages
The inside back cover of each Region 2 newsletter lists all local clubs along with each club’s president and contact person. Our web pages try to give information about the leaders of each of the 26 clubs, and they give additional information about club activities — provided the club president or club contact sends the information to the editor. Region 2 Webmaster Don Williams updates each club’s data soon after he receives that update from the editor. However, the information in both places is only as good as the last update. So, please, send your club’s updates.

♦ Our Region 2 Membership, Display Gardens, Region 2 Judges, etc.
You are receiving this Region 2 newsletter because you are an AHS member! There are no extra Region 2 dues. According to AHS Executive Secretary Pat Mercer, our June 2005 Region 2 membership stood at 1598. Since then, quite a few new members joined. We are still the largest region with the region’s largest membership.

Between January 1 and July 17, the number of our newly approved AHS Display Gardens had grown to 11. Quite a few Garden Judges joined the rolls, and Exhibition Judges finished their accreditation requirements or completed their update requirements. Many local clubs have worked really hard to accomplish their goals of recruiting and training new judges.

♦ Our Region 2 Newsletter
Once again, you should find this newsletter full of daylily news. With each issue, the contributions from article writers and photographers of regional events have increased.
Hello from “Mad City”—Wisconsin to all Region 2 Members.

Another daylily gardening season has flown by. Most of us can count on one hand the number of daylilies still producing full-formed flowers in our gardens. This would be a sad time of the year for me were it not for the hundreds of seed pods that are maturing on browning scapes in my beds. It is like counting gold coins when I open the pods and pour out the seeds for storage. Who knows, in 3-4 years I may be able to find a few more “keepers.”

Just because the gardens cease to produce beautiful faces and foliage, our activity does not cease. We have to look ahead! We Region 2 members should be setting our focus on two major events taking place in 2006. Now is the time to mark those calendars and start looking for roommates.

The first activity to note is the 14th Annual Region 2 Symposium scheduled from Friday, Feb. 24 through Sunday Feb. 26, 2006 at the Hilton Cleveland South (Some activities will begin on Thursday, Feb 23). As usual, Symposium Organizer Curt Hanson will rope in interesting speakers from all over the country (and probably from outside also). Talks will range from erudite to sidesplitting. This is THE winter meeting to attend. The speakers are entertaining, the food is great, the auction plants top-notch, the camaraderie close-knit and the hotel staff cooperative. What could be a better way to spend a February weekend?

Detailed, relevant information should appear in this newsletter and much more detailed information on the Region 2 Website as we get closer to the end of 2005 and early 2006 (Region 2 web page address/URL: http://www.ashregion2.org).

The second major event will take place during July 21—23, 2006, and will be hosted by the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society. It is THE GREAT é-SCAPE (GET YOUR DAYLILY FIX IN 2006!) and will be based in the Cleveland, Ohio, area. The Meeting will be housed at the Hilton Cleveland South. Co-Chairs Doug Bowen and Curt Hanson and their NODS club members will make sure that this Region 2 Summer Meeting will be a blast. Some information pamphlets were distributed at the 2005 National Convention in Cincinnati this summer. Look for registration information and a preview of the eight tour gardens in the Region 2 Spring/Summer newsletter. Of course, the Region 2 website will have all the necessary information also.

If you have a moment, page toward the back of this issue and check out the Local Club News section of the Newsletter. There COULD BE up to 26 articles there telling us what is happening at our 26 Region 2 Clubs. Almost a complete northern gardening year has passed since the last newsletter was published. All kinds of “stuff” has been going on! Our Region 2 club members have been helping to advance the cause of northern grown daylilies. As Martha says, “That’s a good thing.”

The hybridizer whose cultivar wins the Pop’ Poll in each Region is awarded a medal by the AHS (The David Hall Regional Award). Everyone loves to be recognized!

Happily, the roller coaster ride has ended on a joyous note. All of the hoopla about voting finally registered with Region 2 members. Because of a flood of last-minute ballots, I am pleased to report that 15% of Region 2 folks voted. The lucky voter whose name was picked out of a hat to win the $100 gift certificate was Steve Smith, Byron Center, Michigan.

I think that next year I might ask each Local Region 2 Club to pass out Pop’ Ballot information, collect them from club members and forward them to me. If each Club collected only 15 ballots, that would give us 390 ballots, which would yield a 24% voting rate. That is a far cry from the 15% we are now seeing. Please drop me a line to let me know what you think of this proposal.

On the next page are the results of tabulating the Region 2 Popularity Poll Ballots. More than twenty cultivars are shown because there were, as usual, many ties.

All things bloom in their own time—flowers... dreams... friendships.®
Words from our Region 2 Exhibition Judges Liaison Richard Ford:

- Judges: Thank you for all your work this year in making our clubs and our society look good to the public. We had a bad drought this year, but the scapes at the shows were still exceptional. Now, down to some important things.
- First: PAY YOUR DUES! How blunt can I be, but some people don’t and that is unfortunate. Starting over is not what you want to do.
- Senior Judges: Please be aware of your final date for taking Clinic III for “refreshing” your certificate. Some slipped up this year and didn’t take the class or didn’t get an extension. Do so soon!
- Junior Judges: Make sure you read the section in the handbook on becoming a senior judge (C1-9 and 10). Follow the instructions to the letter. Don’t let all your work go for nothing. Keep documentation with your application for senior judgeship together to send in later.
- Students in Training: Get to another regional or national and keep moving forward toward Clinic II and becoming a Junior judge.
- To all of you: Next year go to the national, or to our regional, or to ANY regional to take clinics you need.
- Senior Judges: If you don’t need to go to Clinic III, audit Clinic II or Clinic I and see how different things are being taught now. You might learn something you never thought about.

Now, how about those gas prices? A four and half hour trip and a night’s stay plus the gas— and volunteer work takes on a whole new meaning. See you next summer!

Garden Judges 2005 Update

From AHS Judges Education Chair David Kirchhoff and AHS Garden Judges Chair Lea Ann Williams

It has recently been brought to our attention that all RVP’s have not been notified of all changes in Garden Judge requirements that have been made in 2005. Your AHS Education and Garden Judges Committee are pleased to announce the following changes in Garden Judges requirements for 2005:

- We have listened to your voices, and these changes reflect our response to your requests. We are still in the process of posting these changes and updating the website and the AHS Judging Daylilies handbook. We have prepared an announcement for you to please convey to your members at your earliest convenience.
- We expect the changes will be printed in the spring Journal. Applicants must have held AHS membership for at least two consecutive years (24 months) immediately prior to applying. Training to become an accredited AHS Garden Judge may begin after one year (12 months) membership by attending either Workshop 1 or Workshop 2. Workshop 2 and Workshop 1 may be taken in any order. The exam must be successfully completed before applications are ready to process.
- New Garden Judges may vote the Awards and Honors ballots the same year that they complete all the requirements to become Garden Judges. Once their applications are received and approved, they are either sent a current ballot or they may download a ballot from the AHS website. (This requires that the RVP’s immediately forward the applications they receive rather than holding them until a certain date.)
- The requirement that the applicant attend either an AHS National Convention or one of the applicant’s own regional meetings that includes garden tours is unchanged. If the applicant’s own region does not hold a regional meeting during the bloom season, the applicant may substitute an adjacent region’s AHS Regional Meeting if that region offers tours during bloom season.
The meeting was called to order by RVP Gisela Meckstroth at 4:30 PM and the roll call of Region 2 officers was taken. Present were: RVP-Editor Gisela Meckstroth, Ohio, RPD John Sheehan, Wisconsin, Secretary Jacki Kropf, Michigan, Treasurer Bill Johannes, Ohio. Joanne Larson from Illinois, Region 2 Director, was unable to attend due to AHS national convention duties scheduled during the same time. Committee chairpersons were introduced: Awards and Honors Chair Hiram Pearcy, Wisconsin; Archivist Historian Joanne Larson, Illinois (absent); Exhibition Judges Liaison Richard Ford, Illinois (absent due to AHS duties); Garden Judges Liaison Sharon Fitzpatrick, Ohio; Monroe Endowment Fund Liaison Bill Johannes, Ohio; Scientific Studies Liaison Gus Guzinski, Michigan (absent); Symposium Chair Curt Hanson, Ohio (absent); Ways and Means Chair-Nikki Schmith, Michigan (absent); Webmaster-Don Williams, Indiana; Youth Chair-Judy Heath, Indiana (absent). Region 2 members were asked to stand and be recognized by state.

The minutes of the Summer 2004 Region 2 Meeting were published and there being no corrections, Mary Milanowski moved to approve them, seconded by Don Williams. The minutes stand approved as published.

The report by the 2004 treasurer, Chuck Bell, as published in the Spring-Summer 2005 Newsletter will be filed.

Treasurer’s report:
- Bill Johannes reported that an independent review found the region to be in financial order. The auditor’s report will be filed.
- Bill also reported on the 2005 Electronic Auction in Nikki Schmith’s absence.
- A financial report was given on the 2005 Region 2 Symposium.

RVP-Editor’s report:
- Gisela reported that both the RVP and the Treasurer are insured (bonded) as agreed by the regional officers. The State Auto Insurance Co. insured each for $50,000 with a $500.00 deductible and a premium of $150.00 for 2005. The policy will be filed and the treasurer, secretary and RVP will also keep a copy.
- She reported that current membership in Region 2 is 1,598.
- She also reported that 223 members of Region 2 attended this convention out of a total of 643 attendees.
- Gisela announced that it is time to find a new Editor for the Newsletter beginning with the Spring-Summer 2006 issue.

RPD report:
- John Sheehan asked for current information on local clubs and their activities.
- Articles for the newsletter from local clubs were requested.
- He urged participation in the Region 2 Popularity Poll, votes being due by September 1, 2005.

Don Williams, Webmaster, was recognized for his work on the Region 2 website. Don announced that Daylilies Rock and Roll will be held in Evansville, Indiana on June 22-24, 2007.

Doug Bowen, President of the hosting Northeast Ohio Daylily Society gave an invitation to the Region 2 Meeting to be held July 21-23, 2006 in Cleveland, Ohio.

It was reported by Gisela that Region 2 added 10 new AHS display gardens this year.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of RVP Nominating Committee:
Concerning the election of the RVP nominating committee, Gisela noted that members must elect the committee at this meeting because the next election for RVP will be held at the 2006 Region 2 business meeting. She then read the Region 2 Bylaws concerning this committee. Sharon Fitzpatrick, Ohio, volunteered to be the nominating committee chair. Lee Ann Williams, Indiana, and Mary Milanowski, Michigan, volunteered to be committee members. James (Jim) Baumann, Ohio, moved to elect the committee, and Ed Myers, Ohio, seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Adding Standing Rule-II to the Region 2 Bylaws:
The RVP reported that the regional officers would like to recommend adding a Standing Rule-II to the bylaws, which requires a majority vote to adopt (Robert’s Rules of Order).

RPD John Sheehan read the motion:

The Region 2 officers, with a simple majority vote, shall have the right to advance seed money (up to a maximum of $2000 per Summer Meeting) to any Region 2 club which is in the latter planning stages of hosting a Region 2 Summer Meeting and does not have on hand enough capital to make required up-front payments or deposits. The advance seed money is to be used by the hosting club only for the Summer Meeting expenses. Any such advance provided by Region 2 would come from Region 2 general funds. Any request for a seed money advance must be made by the hosting club in writing to the Region 2 RVP no earlier than 24 months prior to the relevant Summer Meeting. This seed money advance is not a gift and must be paid back by the hosting club to the Region 2 treasurer within 60 days following the end of the relevant Summer Meeting. There will be no interest paid by the host club on any seed money advance.

The motion was seconded by Fran Houghten, Ohio.

For the discussion, John Sheehan gave the following background information: The purpose of this amendment is for Region 2 to make it easier for smaller Region 2 clubs, with relatively small treasury balances, to host a Region 2 Summer Meeting. Often, up-front costs and deposits preclude smaller clubs from hosting Summer Meetings. The major income from such a meeting comes from registration fees which are not collected until the last six months before the meeting. These cash flow limitations prevent many smaller Region 2 clubs from even considering hosting a Summer Meeting. There was further discussion from the floor. Don Williams brought up the question of disaster insurance in the context of Regional Meetings and agreed to put his proposal in writing for a future meeting.

The vote was held and the motion passed.

2005 Hite Award:
Hiram Pearcy, Chair of the Region 2 Awards and Honors Committee, presented the Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing to Dorothy Warrell of Ohio. Sharon Fitzpatrick accepted the award in her absence.

2005 Region 2 Club Newsletter Award:
Hiram presented the Region 2 Club Newsletter Award to Rosemary Kleinheinz of the Wisconsin Daylily Society. John Sheehan accepted in her absence.

AHS Donor Award Certificates were presented:
- The Wisconsin Daylily Society received the AHS General Fund Gold Donor Award, John Sheehan accepting.
- The Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society received The Joe E. House Scientific Studies Fund Platinum Donor Award.
- The Bertie Ferris Youth Fund Gold Donor Award and The Daylily Journal Color Fund Gold Donor Award were presented to The Chicagoland Daylily Society.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.
Respectfully submitted, Jacki Kropf, Secretary
Region Two Youth News

By Youth Liaison Judy Heath

I am delighted to introduce you to some of the Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society (SWIDS) youth members. In fact, SWIDS has four new members!

Bryce and Bailey are a brother and sister team from Princeton, Indiana. They are the children of Keith and Susan Matthew and the grandchildren of Peg (president of SWIDS) and Nick Michas.

Bryce is 10 years old and in the fifth grade at Brumfield Elementary School. Even though he is very active in sports, he still has time to have his own daylily bed and also work in his grandmother’s daylily garden. Bryce says he doesn’t have a favorite daylily. However, he favors spiders and large daylilies. At the annual SWIDS spring auction, Bryce was one of the hardest workers there. He was a runner for the auction and also a big bidder on many plants (using Grandma’s money, of course).

Bailey Matthew is Bryce’s sister. Bailey is 7 years old and in the second grade at Bethel Christian School. She is a very busy young lady and is active in gymnastics, soccer, and softball. Bailey loves to own daylilies with character names such as: Siloam Bo Peep, Old King Cole, and Siloam Tom Thumb. Even with this inherited love of daylilies, she prefers to let others pull the weeds. To be blunt, Bailey doesn’t like to work in the garden! Now, that is a girl after my own heart.

Our next delightful youth members are Jeffry and Kenny Buhrt. Jeffry and Kenny are the children of Jeff and Ruth Buhrt of Westfield, Indiana and the grandchildren of Bob and Jan Kraft of Evansville, Indiana. Both boys along with their younger brother, Andrew, recently participated in a Korean Culture Camp held in Indianapolis where they learned of their Korean heritage.

At their home in Westfield, the boys help care for approximately 50 daylilies. However, at their grandpa’s home (a past SWIDS president), they are always busy pulling weeds growing among his 450 cultivars. Retired elementary school principals are good at keeping everyone busy and on schedules! The boys have no special daylily. However, they both agree that their favorite daylily color is red. Both boys have been known to work at the SWIDS sale garden, pulling weeds and keeping the older crowd laughing as they work. I must add that being around these boys is a real treat!

Jeffry is 10 years old and is home schooled. He excels in Taekwondo where he received two gold medals at the Indy Cup competition. “Way to go, Jeffry!”

Kenny is 6 years old, and he is also home schooled. Kenny loves to learn about and collect bugs. Sounds like something all daylily growers would enjoy. Both boys like to ride their bikes and visit parks.

Chicagoland Daylily Society’s Youth Member Kendall Denham won the Youth Section with her entry of H. ‘Ribbons of Highway’, Eric Denham’s 2003 registration. Hybridizer Eric Denham is her uncle.

Corey Lucius is a very talented Region 2 Youth member. This young man has been the recipient of the Tricolor Award for the past two years at the Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society's show. The AHS Tricolor Rosette is awarded to the best design in Division IV, scoring 95 points or more. He now qualifies to compete for the AHS Tricolor Medal. We are so proud of Corey’s achievements.

Corey is 18 years old and lives in Gahanna, Ohio. He is a senior at St. Francis DeSales School and plans to attend college and study art with the goal of designing automobiles. At school, he is involved in the St. Vincent De Paul and Leaders Today, both service organizations. His hobbies include art of all kinds. He has done daylily paintings and daylily glass art, which he has shown at the past two Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society shows. As busy as this young man is, he still enjoys playing tennis in his spare time. He especially likes doubles and orange daylilies. His favorites
are H. ‘Cluster Muster’ and H. ‘Mauna Loa’. Corey credits his father, Charles Lucius, with getting him interested in daylilies.

As we work with all our youth, we must strive to help them be mindful of the daylilies’ past heritage, proud of their present success, and eager to face the challenges of the future in the daylily world. Get to know the youth and teach them your skills. Don’t forget, they will be the hybridizers of tomorrow!

**Region 2 Youth Members in the Spotlight**

Right: Chicagoland’s Kendall Denham with H. ‘Ribbons of Highway’ (Eric Denham 2003), her winning entry in the Youth Section.
Image: Chicagoland Newsletter Editor Marilyn Graziano

**SWIDS Youth Tip**

SWIDS has started giving incentives to encourage their youth to become more involved in their organization. When the youth work in the sale garden or at the SWIDS spring auction they receive “SWIDS Dollars”. In turn, the youth can use these dollars to purchase their own plants at the annual daylily sale.

Left: Region 2 DESI Exploring Youth Program as a community service. Image: Judy Heath

Right: Youth Member Kirk Seymour (from Davenport, Iowa) with Jamie Gossard’s H. Shake the Mountains’ in Jackie and Dan Bachman’s garden during the 2005 AHS National Convention.
Image: G Meckstroth

Above and left: Ohio’s Metropolitan Columbus DS Youth Corey Lucius with his 2005 MCDS Tricolor and Blue Ribbon winning Design Division entries. Images: Corey Lucius and Karen Ciula.

Right: Youth Members at 2005 AHS National Convention: Back row: Hybridizers Ken Begnaud, Dan Hansen, and Tom Dieter who gave helping hands to the Youth. Middle row: Emily and Lauren Vassallo (NY), AHS Youth Chair Betty Roberts, Kirk Seymour (IA) Front: Beth Pickle (MS) Image: G. Meckstroth
Hybridizing for Hardy Spiders and Unusual Forms in the North

by Gil Stelter of Gryphon Gardens, Guelph, Ontario

Like many other northern daylily growers and hybridizers, I’m impressed by the spectacular introductions that regularly come out of the South, especially the tetraploid spiders and Unusual Forms (UFs) from Florida. Can we produce their equivalents in the North? Many northern hybridizers have already shown that this can be done with full-formed daylilies, and northern hybridizers like Bob Schwarz are producing hardy UFs. My interest is in the possibilities of using the species, and particularly *Hemerocallis fulva*, to incorporate vigor and hardiness into tender tetraploid spiders and UFs.

I should explain that I am not a plant scientist or even a commercial daylily grower, but a curious backyard hybridizer. My wife Sally and I are both technically retired but are very involved in our professions and can spend only part of our time in the garden. I’m a university professor of history, and I travel abroad, lecturing about cities, which gives me the opportunity of visiting gardens in various parts of the world, including Asia, the original source of daylilies.

We bought our current property of 3/4 of an acre in the fall of 1999. We had looked for a garden that had mature trees and enough space to lay out a chronological arrangement of daylilies. Now, you can follow a twisting path between daylily beds, starting with the species (in beds 3 and 5, to the right of the house), continue on past the earliest hybrids like *H.* ‘Apricot’ (1893), many of Arlow Stout’s introductions, the earliest tetraploids, and so on, until you reach the end of the path and the 2005 introductions. What we call Gryphon Gardens has been an AHS Display Garden for about five years.

Any attempt to list one’s hybridizing goals probably will leave an impression of more conscious formal planning than was actually the case. First, I began with diploid spiders and unusual form daylilies, and I brought out my first introductions this year. Second, I’ve been tempted by the tender, orchid-like exotics from Florida, despite their obvious problems in our climate. Third, I’ve begun a more extensive program of crossing tender tetraploid spiders and UFs with whatever hardy material is available. Fourth, I have experimented using *H. fulva* varieties on modern tetraploid spiders and UFs, which has proven to be difficult but not impossible.
First, the Diploids

Dormancy does not automatically translate into hardiness, of course, but there seems to be a relatively high correlation. *H. ‘Rashomon Gate’*, shown below, combines Ra Hansen’s beautiful but very tender evergreen, *H. ‘Chevron Spider’*, with a hardy dormant, resulting in a hardy semi-evergreen. *H. ‘Potala Tapestry’* is a hardy dormant, the product of a hardy semi-evergreen and a hardy dormant. Some of my experiments using the yellow species *H. citrina* with tender diploid spiders have shown some modest results. Ra Hansen’s flamboyant *H. ‘Yabba Dabba Doo’* is only marginally successful here in zone 5, but second and third generation crosses (F2 and F3) are dormant to semi-evergreen and quite vigorous. We don’t have the time or space to pursue this breeding line seriously, but hybridizers like Brian Mahieu of Missouri are showing how the use of *H. citrina* and other yellow species can improve the vigor of a diploid line.

Second: The Lure of the Tender Exotics

Even though a Zone 5 garden is not an ideal spot for it, I love the orchid-like look of Mort Morss’s *H. ‘Gerda Brooker’* (1995) and have used it to a limited extent. To get a bluer eye, I crossed it with an even more tender exotic, Luddy Lambertson’s *H. ‘Blue-Eyed Guy’*. The results were some great looking flowers that turned out to be award winners, but the plants do not seem to be vigorous enough to be introduced in this zone.
When *H. ‘Gerda Brooker’* was crossed with Curt Hanson’s *H. ‘Wind in the Rigging’*, a hardier cultivar, the result was a more vigorous plant and flowers with a heavy substance, like that of the pollen parent. Combining this seedling with a dormant partner, Bob Schwarz’s *H. ‘Tuxedo Junction’* has produced some interesting semi-evergreen seedlings and flowers with a very heavy substance. A couple of examples are shown below. Their colors are complex, and form corresponds to the pinched crispathe definition of our Unusual Form guru, Bob Schwarz.

I have begun using daylily offspring from that champion of super tough northern daylilies, Melanie Mason. Her *H. ‘Astral Voyager’* produces some delightful kids that are both hardy and vigorous, like the cockerel form shown to the left.

### Third: Adapting Tender Tetraploid Spiders and Unusual Form Daylilies to the North

Pat Stamile is far ahead of everyone else in creating tetraploid spiders and large exotics, so I get his collection of these each year. His tender evergreens probably do as well or better here than most Florida daylilies. I’ll use the example of his 2001 introductions as they have been here long enough to be evaluated fairly. Of the nine cultivars, four are fairly vigorous and show good bloom: *H. ‘Igor’*, *H. ‘Octopus Hugs’*, *H. ‘Lurch’* and *H. ‘Purple People Eater’*. Two hold their own but show little increase: *H. ‘Wings on High’* and *H. ‘His Highness’*. Three have dwindled: *H. ‘Navajo Talisman’*, *H. ‘Inky Fingers’* and *H. ‘Lavender Arrowhead’*.

Seedlings from some of these, crossed with dormant, hardy stock, are shown below. The first three are crosses with cultivars introduced by the late Richard Webster, who greatly furthered the development of hardy tetraploids. These seedlings have had their second season of bloom and appear to be on their way as strong northern plants.

The three seedlings, left and below, have only had one bloom season and will be watched carefully for hardness. The first two are crosses of dormants by Pat Roberts and Bob Schwarz with evergreens from Stamile. The last seedling, the gold spider, is the product of two very hardy evergreens from Stamile and Luddy Lambertson.
Fourth: Using *H. fulva* in Tetraploid Hybridizing

Reading about this part of my hybridizing program may not be for the faint of heart among you as most daylily people avoid *H. fulva* like the plague. Most consider it a weed that is hard to eradicate. When I’ve told major hybridizers about my experiments with *H. fulva*, the reaction varied from outright laughter at my foolishness to lectures on how *H. fulva* was sterile or nearly impossible to use. Most simply said: “Why bother? Are we not trying to get away from that color and form?” But I’m curious and stubborn and don’t always assume that conventional wisdom is correct. Besides, Dr. Arlow Stout did use *H. fulva* in his work and it proved to be important to what he accomplished.

The term “fulva,” which simply means “orange,” is usually associated with the notorious ditch lily, *H. fulva* ‘Europa’, but this is only one of several varieties that fall within the so-called “fulva complex.” I have thirteen varieties of *H. fulva* in my garden and am trying to collect more.

A. The triploids

The best known are the triploid versions (three sets of chromosomes) pictured below. These are undoubtedly difficult to work with, but Stout, and more recently, Nick Chase, have shown that they have some fertility and can be used in hybridizing.

![H. fulva ‘Europa’](image1)
![H. fulva maculata](image2)
![H. fulva ‘Flore Pleno’](image3)
![H. fulva pauciflora](image4)

B. The diploids that Stout and others used

Some of the diploid fulvas have been heavily used. The two shown here were discovered by Dr. Albert Stewart in the Yangste River area of China and were used by Stout and Elizabeth Nesmith for reds. The more spectacular version, named ‘Rosalind’, was converted to a tetraploid by H.P. Traub in 1954.

![Right: H. fulva var. rosea](image5)
![Left: H. fulva var. rosea ‘Rosalind’](image6)

C. The unexplored diploids

The diploid fulvas shown below do not seem to have been used by Stout. The Korean form was brought from Korea in 1985 by Darrel Apps who told me that he had found it in a botanical garden in Seoul.

![H. fulva ‘Hankow’](image7)
![H. fulva littorea](image8)
![H. fulva ‘Cypriani’](image9)
![H. fulva ‘Korean’](image10)
Stout’s Use of *H. fulva*

Those of us working with tetraploid spiders often complain about the number of crosses it takes to get an eventual seed pod. So you have to be impressed with Arlow Stout’s perseverance in using *H. fulva* ‘Europa’. In 1926 he reported that he had made 7,135 crosses which gave him 11 seedlings from *H.* ‘Europa’ as a pod parent, and 1,200 seedlings from it as a pollen parent. Shown below is his chart of 25 years of crosses in the making of an early red, *H.* ‘Theron’. *H.* ‘Europa’ was one of four species in the background.

**Source of chart at left:**

Another Stout introduction, *H.* ‘Mikado’, had *H.* ‘Europa’ in its background. Stout considered this the first “eyed” hybrid, with the eye’s color coming from *H.* ‘Europa’.

Stout could also be considered the father of the Unusual Form category of daylilies. In 1929 he described his *H.* ‘Wau-Bun’ as “an unusual form of flower,” with origins in several yellow species. The same was true for its progeny, *H.* ‘Taruga’ (1933). He wrote that his later *H.* ‘Fantasia’ (1946) also had several species in its background but I could find no reference to which specific species in his publications. I suspect it was *H.* ‘Europa’ because of the color.

**Crossing *H. fulva* With Tetraploids: The First Generation**

I am not sure when my *H. fulva* addiction began, but it probably was about eight years ago after I received a collection of species from Patricia Crooks Henley (Ohio) and then read Stout in order to understand them. I have not used *H.* ‘Europa’ because Stout had already done so much with it, but began with *H.* ‘Hankow’ and *H. littorea* and more recently, *H.* ‘Korean’.

![Images of daylilies](image-url)
It takes a lot of patience to set pods from tetraploid to diploid. But my ratio was far better than Stout’s: about one in ten for H. ‘Hankow’, and higher for H. littorea and H. ‘Korean’. I do remember the strong doubts during the first year. Would the tetraploid produced pods on the diploid fulva result in viable seed? Would the seeds germinate? Would the plants flower?

I used H. ‘Ruby Spider’ and H. ‘All American Chief’ extensively in the early years because that was the best material I had at the time. The resulting plants seem slow to get established and then are vigorous. They are usually dormant to semi-evergreen, and hardy.

I also have a few seedlings from tetraploid crosses to the triploid H. maculata. This triploid is not as fertile as the diploid fulvas but occasionally sets a pod with viable seed.

The question of why these crosses of tetraploids and dips are even possible is not one I have explored to any extent. But one possible answer is that these diploid fulvas quite regularly produce unreduced gametes (mature germ cells). If this is the case, their gametes do not divide in half during the process of meiosis, remaining at 22 chromosomes, and joining with a tetraploid’s 22 chromosomes. I have only been able to set pods by crossing tetraploid pollen on to diploids, never the other way around. This suggests that these unreduced gametes occur only on the diploid pod parent side, the diploid egg cell.

**Crossing H. fulva with Tetraploids: The Second Generation**

Several questions remain when plants from the first generation crosses actually bloom. Will these plants be fertile? Can they be used as bridge plants to continue an exploration of the fulva-tetraploid gene pool? Are they tetraploids? I can not distinguish the differences between tetraploid and diploid pollen through my modest microscope, but these crosses must be tetraploids because they accept tetraploid pollen so readily in most cases.

I now realize that most of my F2 (the second generation) crosses were with red parents, but other colors are possible as shown by the seedlings at the bottom of this section. Following are examples of the some of the many seedlings produced from these crosses.
The most exciting result of the F2 stage is plant vigor. They are robust and exhibit strong branching and good bud count, even by their first bloom year, which in this zone means the plant is in its second year of growth.

As for form, *H. fulva littorea* appears to produce more spidery offspring than other fulva types, while *H. ‘Hankow’* throws large plants and large, traditional blooms, the true, natural form of flowers of the species and early hybrids. In that sense, one could say that the full-form rounded types are actually the “unusual forms”. You can get round forms from fulva crosses as well, of course, depending on the parents used, as shown by one of the seedlings at the bottom of the previous page.

### Crossing *H. fulva* With Tetraploids: The Third Generation

My third generation *H. fulva* crosses bloomed for the first time this summer (2005), and some examples from about 200 seedlings are shown here. The fulva portion of each cross has dropped to one-eighth. The best seedlings all come from one particular cross, *H. fulva ‘Hankow’ X H. ‘Ruby Spider’,* with various other partners. The plants are very robust, with great branching for first year bloom. Form and color are not spectacular, but quite complex. The miniature (3.75" flower) seems to be a genetic anomaly in a cross usually producing large flowers. The results in general show that crossing diploid fulvas with tetraploids can be done and that the results warrant further exploration. This seems to be one way of achieving increased genetic diversity.

Where do I go from here? I have been making crosses between various *H. fulva* varieties and some of the most recent tetraploid introductions such as *H. ‘Velvet Ribbons’, H. ‘Orchid Waterfall’, H. ‘Freewheeling* and *H. ‘Spinnaker’. Also, I’ve begun back crossing, line breeding, in order to explore the hidden genotypes behind the phenotypes (the physical appearance) I’ve illustrated. I welcome visitors to our garden to help in the future process of evaluation. In my professional life I try to make a distinction between what is merely a novelty and what is actually new (which is a relatively rare thing). I think it is too early to say whether my experimenting with the use of diploid fulvas in tetraploid breeding is just a novelty, or really something new.

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**Editor’s Note:** Gil Stelter spoke at the 2005 Region Symposium in Cleveland, Ohio. He presented a Microsoft PowerPoint slide show to illustrate his topic, *Incorporating Species in Northern Hybridizing*. Here, by popular request, he brings the details of his hybridizing program.

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Hybridizing Landscape Daylilies was the passion of Alfred (Al) H. Goldner (1918 - 2003). Over 60 daylily varieties were marketed, mostly with garden names. However, 14 were registered with AHS by his friends, thus preserving their information for posterity.

Al’s parents moved to southeast Michigan from Sandusky, Ohio. Al graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor’s degree in Horticulture and then earned a Master’s degree from The Ohio State University.

Al’s day job was plant manager for Hudson’s Department Store at Detroit area Northland Mall with his friends; Harris Olson and Arthur Malone, who also worked there. But on weekends, nights, and holidays, his passion was hybridizing daylilies. He called them “Experimental Daylilies,” as the sign read.

My first interview of Al came about quite by accident. About 10 years ago I went to his home on Telegraph Road to dig daylilies for the local club. He asked me to leave the other diggers in the seedling fields and come with him to the house where there were numerous 12 x 12 foot gardens between cement sidewalks. “Dig this one,” he said, “all of it.” It filled the wheel barrow, full and over flowing with H. ‘Black Eye’. I dug, lifted, and separated while he talked the entire time, even offering me a job working for him. He stopped long enough to say, “Here, dig this clump, the biggest one. You take this home with you and plant it in your garden. And here, take the label with it. You might as well have the original ‘Black Eye’ sign.” I still have that original ‘Black Eye’ sign in my garden.

Later I learned the H. ‘Black Eye’ story from Harris Olson, the well-known spider hybridizer and sponsor of the Harris Olson Spider Award, who maintained daylily gardens at the Detroit Zoo and the Botanical Gardens and at the Congregational Church of Birmingham, and from Hal Rice, the 2004 recipient of the AHS Helen Field Fischer Award, former AHS board member from Region 2, and chair of two (1985 and 2002) AHS national conventions held in the Detroit area. The first name Goldner used was ‘Dark Eye’, but when he wanted to register it, he changed it to ‘Black Eye’ because the name H. ‘Dark Eye’ was already taken. By the time it appeared on the Region 2 Popularity Poll ballots, both names were well represented. Together, Dark Eye (garden name) and H. ‘Black Eye’ (the 1984 registered name of the 30” M 5” dormant lavender pink with dark pink, eyezone and green throat tetraploid) won the highest number of votes but lost the popular vote because of the divided names. It remains a popular plant today as well as his “Improved Black Eye” (unregistered), which he liked better than the first registered H. ‘Black Eye’.

“Where did you get your original gene pool?” I asked Al. “The Chicago 7” he answered. “And who were the 7?” After asking a dozen or more old timers, we finally came up with a list we think is Al’s Friends are Working to Preserve a Heritage.

The “Improved Black Eye” (garden name), which is not registered.

LaVere Webster with H. ‘Sears Tower’ in his AHS Display status HISTORIC DAYLILY GARDEN in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

H. ‘August Cheer’ Registered 1990, 34” VL 5” dormant diploid, dark pink with light pink watermark above green throat.
correct: James Marsh, Robert Griesbach, Brother Charles Reckamp, Orville Fay, Hubert Fischer, and Nate Rudolf, and another person with the last name of Goodnuff (spelling may not be correct.)

Question: “As a landscape hybridizer, what were your goals?”

Al’s answers:
1. Environmentally tolerant. That is, they grow well with lack of water and fertilizer.
2. Good self dead headers.
3. Large flowers.
4. Color and size that can be seen well from a distance.
5. Colors that look good under street lights at night.
7. Quantity as well as Quality.

To get the thousands of plants needed for the landscaper’s splash of color, he opened his own tissue culture lab in Howell, with Karen Bovio as technician. Seeding selections were made by the customer before being sent to the tissue culture lab for increase. Plants were then field grown to bloom stage and checked for uniformity. The results can be seen today by the thousands of unregistered plants that were marketed under such names as Citron, Telegraph Lavender, Birmingham Yellow, Goldner’s Bouquet, and are growing today in municipal gardens, along roadsides and in highway medians.

His retail outlet was on southbound Telegraph Road, just north of 12 Mile Road, where Wendy’s restaurant is today. He, then, bought a greenhouse in Pontiac, which still carries his name. He hosted an Annual Open Garden event at his house with tents, refreshments, and seedling daylilies for sale. Three mature clumps for $10 would fill the trunk of any buyer’s car. The most often asked question was, “What kind of fertilizer do you use?” Al’s answer: “27/3/3, the same as for grass.”

One very significant problem for daylily collectors, growers, and connoisseurs is the fact that Al never kept any photographic or written records of the unregistered daylilies that were important to his hybridizing goals. This I have tried to do, and after nearly 10 years of interviews and research, I now share my findings with you as an ongoing and incomplete worksheet.

The results can be seen today by the thousands of unregistered daylilies that were important to his hybridizing goals, for example: H. ‘Margaret Dixon’ (Knocke 1989) and H. ‘Rander’s Pride’ (Libis 1957) that is in the parentage of H. ‘Sears Tower’. Sometimes Al used the same name for two or more different daylilies, and these are noted in the list. 

Editor’s note: Many of the 2002 AHS National Convention visitors expressed their desire to know more about Goldner’s beautiful daylily creations in the tour and open gardens in the Detroit area, and they wanted to know more about Al Goldner and his hybridizing achievements.

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Goldner Daylilies
REGISTERED and Unregistered
An incomplete but ongoing WORKSHEET
compiled by LaVere Webster of Rochester Hills, Michigan

Legend:
UPPER CASE: Registered with AHS.
Lower Case: Unregistered daylily garden names.
# Symbol: Indicates the order of registration with AHS.
+ Symbol: Goldner daylilies grown at the Historic Daylily Garden, 1160 South Blvd. W., Rochester Hills, Michigan.

#5+ADELINE GOLDNER (Goldner ‘87) 36" MLa 8.5" Golden Yellow self, gr/gold th Dor Tet Ext (Adeline was Al's Mother) Crispate, “semi-Spider” Al’s words.
+AG Red (Goldner, Unregistered) 30 MLa 7 tall red showy.
Alice Burlingame (Goldner, Unregistered) (Free Press Writer).
Alice Weigand (Goldner, Unregistered)
#8+AMELIA MUSSER (Goldner ‘89) 30 L 7” lemon yellow blend w light midribs Dip.
Arthur Malone (Goldner, Unregistered) 36” La 6” light Peach (creamy pink) & Yellow blend heavy texture & branching, wide petals, gr to chart th, rose-pink halo.

#1 ASWAN (Goldner ‘’79) 20 MLa 6” chartreuse self dor.
#9+ AUGUST CHEER (Goldner ‘90) 30 L 5 Pink/dk rose w purple on tips, bright Y th to 1/2 of petal length.
Baby Smiles (Goldner, Unregistered)
+Bangkok Red (Goldner, Unregistered) 36/38” L 6” bright Red w chart th, light edges & tips.
Bangkok Lavender and B.Klongs (Goldner, Unregistered) (not lavender) similar to Gold Candy.

+Bill Barrere (Goldner, Unregistered) 30” La 5-6” Orange-Red w Light Y eye & midribs.

+Birmingham Yellow (Goldner, Unregistered) 30” L 5-6” Ruffled Yellow found in Telegraph Rd median.

#4+BLACK EYE (Goldner '84) 30” M 5” Lavender-Pink w dk Pink eye Tet (also known as Dark Eye at first, but that name was taken. Combined, his DE and BE received more votes than any other dl, but because of the split vote it lost the award.

+Improved Black Eye (Goldner, Unregistered) 32” MLa 5” Med Lavender w Dk Lav Eyez from AG patio garden.

+Improved Black Eye # 2 (Goldner, Unregistered) 24-26” L 5” Dark Red/purple w. black purple eye.

+Budd Lite (Goldner, Unregistered) 24” L 4” dark red that changes as the day wanes—orange to green throat, high bud & scape count.

Cabbage Moth/Butterfly (Goldner, Unregistered) dk Y, gr to dkr Y eye to ½ of petal also a dk rose butterfly shaped eyezone Tet.

Cake Plate (Goldner, Unregistered) 18-20” 5” orange to magenta to deep yellow.

California Peach (Goldner, Unregistered) 12” L Polychrome (cream, Y, apricot), ruffled w Pecuge edge, streaked th.

#6+CARRICK WILDON (Goldner 87) 34” MLa 7.5-10” Yellow/red blend. Orange tips w dk eyezone pointed yellow to green blend throat (star shaped), spidery UF (his teacher at MSU) (Sdlg X Randers Pride)

+Citron (Goldner, Unregistered) 30-36” L 5-6” large lemon yellow, looks like a yellow bush.

+Cowboy Scarff (sic) (Goldner, Unregistered) 34 L 8” peach to purple to light yellow. Large Dk Rose eyz Y to gr th w rose veins, wrinkled and open, recurved.

+Crepe Pink (Goldner, Unregistered) 85-MG.

+D-85 (Goldner, Unregistered) Dark Lavender/yellow throat.

+D-87 (Goldner, Unregistered) 24” MLa 6.5 – 7” Orange to purple band to orange throat dk purple eye.

+Dark Eye (Goldner, Unregistered) “Market Name” used for BLACK EYE before registration.

Dark Orange (Goldner, Unregistered)1995 dk Or to Y, dark tips. Dark Pink (Goldner, Unregistered)

+Dean Corey (Goldner, Unregistered)Very large orangy yellow. (president of local society).

Dean Corey #2 (Goldner, Unregistered)(he liked this one better).

Deborah Silver (Goldner, Un registered) 36” VLa 6” Peach blend w gr th, recurve, employee—floral arrangements.

Easter Mantel (Goldner, Unregistered) a small and short plant, bronze w Y th.

#2+EMPRESS OF CHINA (Goldner '79) 28” MLa 7” Rose/pink polychrome w Y throat Tet frag.

#10 EVENING TULIP (Goldner 90/91) 29” La 7” Yellow/Gold self gr th 2:1 DT Ext Opens like a tulip from 7 PM to midnight Good under garden lighting.

First Call (Goldner, Unregistered) 24” L 5” pink w dark purple eye.

+Giant Pink (Goldner, Unregistered) 97 D 85—MG Blended pinks.

+Gladys Biestek (Goldner, Unregistered) 38 L 8 Tangerine w Red eye.

+Gold Candy (Goldner 99) Un 36 MLa 6” Dark cream with apricot eye and edge.

+Goldner’s Bouquet (Goldner, Unregistered) 30/38” L 10” Bold golden-Yellow does not waterspot or sunburn # 0887. In full flower by 7 or 8 am, heat tolerant. Variations of color, size and scape height.

Summer Wine (Goldner, Unregistered) 24 L Violet w Y th.

#3 SUNNY INTERVALS (Goldner 79) 36 L 6.5, Or bitone Darker eyz green throat.

T86-63—Goldner 1989 Region 2 Englerth Award.

Tall Wine (Goldner, Unregistered) 30” 6” thin cream edge, wine red, Dk red eye, Y to gr thr.

Tall Yellow (Goldner, Unregistered) NOT 4:1

Tall Yellow Spider (Goldner, Unregistered) 30–36” 7-8” deep yellow, open flower, skinny petal Not 4:1.

Telegraph Lavender (Goldner, Unregistered) 48” M 6” Large light Lavender found in Telegraph Rd median, very erect.

+TIM DICKSON (Goldner/Toll 92) 24” M 7.5” Large Yellow self, Y th, Grows like a hedge. (Margaret Dixon’s son, a doctor).

+Tiny Yellow Spider (Goldner, Unregistered)38” L 3-4” med Y, NOT a spider, 3:1.

+Top Gun (Goldner, Unregistered) 30” Large, creamy-yellow, red eye.

#12 TWISTED THREADS (Goldner ’90) 28 VL 7 garnet self w chartreuse th.

Yellow Red-Eye (Goldner, Unregistered) 18” MLA 5.5-6” orange to magenta to deep yellow.

Yellow Spider (Goldner, Unregistered) 24” L 8” orangish-bright yellow throughout, NOT a spider.

Goldner’s favorite but unregistered “Golden Bouquet,” which he always had in a vase on the patio during bloom season and which is often seen along road sides today. Al Goldner died in 2003.
**2005 AHS National Convention Gardens**

**Jerry’s Garden**

Pam and Jerry Williams  
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By Greg Finch, Hinckley, Illinois

Jerry’s garden was the first garden at which we stopped on the second day of the convention. This was a bright clear morning with very little humidity. The sun was just rising above the neighbors’ trees which made the daylilies light up. The garden was on a corner lot in a neighborhood with quiet, tree lined streets.

I have always felt that a corner lot gives the gardener in the city a greater advantage to show off daylilies to the public. Jerry and Pam have used the corner lot to their advantage by having the beds in the front of the house flow around to the side of the house and open to the street. They did this by creating beds that curved through the side yard. They also have built a small patio on this side of the house so they are able to enjoy the daylilies with their friends while entertaining or as a place to rest while working in the gardens.

The front entrance to the house had two flags on display, reminding me that we were only two days away from the 4th of July. Beds on either side of the entrance contained daylilies along with other shrubs and perennials. On the right hand side of the front entrance was an outstanding bright red clump of Hemerocallis ‘Up in Flames’ (Carr 1999) that was getting a lot of attention from several of us. The clump of H. ‘Up In Flames’, with its many blooms open, offered a great photo opportunity. On the left side of the front entrance in the middle of the front yard stood a garden figure of a goose dressed in a red, white, and blue outfit. She had her own bed of daylilies to stand guard over. She seemed to fit right in with the daylilies around her.

When I asked Pam if they were near peak bloom she thought they were about one week away from peak. After looking at the clumps, I realized even though there were a large number of blooms on most of the daylilies there would be many more to follow.

There were many clumps that were really showing off. Karol Emmerich’s H. ‘No More Tears’ (Emmerich 2003) , a pink with a pale ivory throat and gold ruffle, was putting on a good display. Bob Scott’s H. ‘Topguns Lola Scott’ (B. Scott 2000), a yellow double with a red eye had multiple blooms on several scapes, and it looked as if the blossoms would cover the entire plant once it reached peak. H. ‘Topguns Lola Scott’ was a guest plant at Jerry’s garden, and it won the Georgia Doubles Award. This cultivar grew in several of the other tour gardens, and it was always performing well.

I have always seemed to have gone through phases of what I like, and at this time H. ‘John Kirkland’ (Kirchhoff D 1999) fits into the group of daylilies that catches my eye at this time. It is a flesh pink self with a peach rose halo above a yellow to green throat. The day we were in Jerry’s garden, the peach rose halo really stood out. A clear pink we saw in Jerry’s garden was H. ‘Palladian Pink’ (Stamile 1996). It is a pristine pink self with a bright green throat and ruffled edges. On this day the throat was a deep green, and the ruffled edge was a darker pink. The green throat and pink flower made for a really pretty combination.

**Valley of the Daylilies**

Jackie & Dan Bachman  
1850 S. St. Rt. 123, Lebanon, Ohio 45036  
By Duane Hurlbert, Howard, Ohio

This was the first day of the “official” bus tours for the national convention. It was a very nice day, sunny and a blue sky. After much pushing and shoving from the front of the hotel to the back of the hotel and then over to the side of the hotel, we managed to get on the bus. As luck would have it, we were privileged to be going to Dan and Jackie Bachman’s garden first. We had been fortunate enough to have been there a few years ago during a Region 2 summer meeting when they had just moved into their new house. We were in for a wonderful surprise today, because Dan and Jackie have been very busy since our last visit.

As the bus slowly entered the property, we were greeted with a very picturesque sight. The long winding driveway started back and then made a turn to the right to allow space for a beautiful pond that made a great setting for their lovely home. The yard was broken up by smartly laid out beds of our beloved flowers and companion plants. There was a very nice daylily lined pathway to a picnic pavilion that added some much needed shade from the sun which was beginning to get quite warm by this point. But I am jumping ahead here. As the bus stopped, Dan jumped aboard and gave us all a very warm and friendly greeting. We got off the bus as fast as we could and yanked our cameras out and started taking pictures almost immediately. The only thing that held us up at all was Nate, Dan’s Yellow Lab, and as friendly as any lab can be, he only wanted to greet us in his own way, giving us a little sniff of approval.

The driveway that continued to the garage had a neatly arranged array of daylilies and other plants full of blooms just posing for us, so we obliged and took their pictures. This led me right to the Region 2 Engleth Award bed. It was just full of mostly vigorous plants, full of blooms. It took me a while to evaluate all the seedling candidate plants in it.

There were display beds all around the house, and throughout the yard. I started up by the house by the covered wraparound
porch. I just love spiders and unusual form daylilies, and there were plenty of them waving in the gentle breeze to entice me to take their picture. I worked my way around the house, where a bed was decorated with musical instruments! They went along with the well-suited blues music that was playing. I got a great shot of H. ‘Shoutin’ the Blues’, which tied in even better and then headed out to the pond. What a gorgeous setting for the Bachmans’ home and for all these fantastic, blooming plants that we all love. I had to hurry because I was just getting started. I snapped my way around the beds, through some of them on paths, and some just a short way in, then back out, checking the other side of the path. There was food and drink in the garage, and goodies just everywhere.

The seedling area contains over 15,000 seedlings. The seedling beds and general growing beds go all across the back of this sunny landscape. Row after row of daylilies; it seemed that there was no end to them. It seemed to me that I had just started to make a small dent in looking at all the daylilies, and there it was—that awful sound—the dreaded warning whistle. I raced up to the back of the house and realized that I had missed an entire area of gardens in the back! Well I just had to get them in my camera, so the goodies would wait a little bit more. I was taking so many shots so fast that I was afraid my camera’s shutter was getting damaged. I had just a little time, I had to get these, they were just too great to not collect their image. I just managed to get a drink from the hospitality tables before heading back to the bus. All this time, as I was taking pictures, Dan and his helpers were busy talking to people, answering questions, and being downright extra friendly. When you get off the bus and the host welcomes you by name and wants to make sure that you have a great time while you are there, you must be with daylily people, and you must be at Dan’s.

The Englerth seedling bed sign in Dan and Jackie’s Valley of the Daylilies garden. Region 2 member Lee Underschultz designed the new Englerth bed sign and arranged its construction. Thank you, Lee!

**FALCONRIDGE GARDEN**

Carolyn and Dick Dooley
5940 Headgates Road, Hamilton, Ohio 45011

By Jacki Kropf, Ada, Michigan.

Gardens are as much about people as plants and I was happy to meet and converse with our hosts, Dick and Carolyn Dooley, about how they garden together. They greeted us upon arrival and I started up the driveway toward the house to get an overall view of things. I wanted to see what made this garden their own and what about it was unique. The large, stately trees told me things had been here awhile and were lovely “bones” for the garden. They were the permanence among ever changing daylilies and other perennial plantings. Not too many steps further, my eyes were drawn to a bed of daylilies in bloom under a pergola. The sun was shining through colorful stained glass flowers hung overhead—art imitating life. Carolyn told me her son made this beautiful piece about five years ago as a Christmas gift, and he also made several others

**BEECH WOOD GARDENS**

Mary and Bill Bramlage
6900 Given Road, Indian Hill, Ohio 45236

By Dorothean Meyer, Bad Axe, Michigan.

It is my privilege to write about Beech Wood Gardens on the “In the Heart of it All” AHS national convention garden tours, July 2005. A wide gravel drive leads from the country road through the beech forest through wide and tall iron gates to the front of the house. The gardens are quite varied with flower beds flaring both sides of the drive, and they contain much year-round interest. The house and gardens were developed on five acres of beech forest. The beech trees are very large, and there is an ephemeral forest wildflower garden during spring. A large variety of daylilies showed off for the visitors after a night of heavy showers. Their colors are so clear and intense, and they thrive in the sheltered clearing in this forest.

A cottage garden of perennials features a shade garden and many daylilies. Some of the plants of particular interest to me, naturally in addition to the daylilies, are the large redbud trees, named ‘Silver Cloud’ and ‘Forest Pansy’, which has dark burgundy leaves. Their wonderful collection of evergreen conifers includes dwarf and weeping varieties. Hanging baskets of colorful annuals add an abundance of color. Climbing perennials and ivy cover archways and stone walls.
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AMY AND JOHN DUKE’S GARDEN
223 Kearney Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45216-1402
by Gene Dewey, Madison, Wisconsin.

As visitors walked past the sidewalk to the front entrance of the Duke’s home and approached the driveway, a hint of the special touches in this garden came into sight on the front lawn in the form of a small cast iron table set with fine china, a goblet, flatware and linens. Entering the driveway, we found a 6 to 7 foot border all along the long side of the property. Here a complete collection of the Stout Award winners was planted along with trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals. Several frog sculptures were precursors to the many whimsical touches to this beautiful garden. Those of us in colder climes lusted over a beautiful Acer palmatum about midway down the driveway.

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A Southern Belle playing music on the Dukes’ porch so national tour garden visitors could enjoy the melodies.

Image: Karen Ciula

H. ‘Candy Stripe Mountain’ (Herrington).
Image: Karen Ciula

The line-out beds and stained glass hanging in the Falconridge Garden. Image: Jacki Kropf

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The Dukes were modest in stating in their pre-conference description that their garden had a few garden “do-dads”. There was garden art of all kinds placed throughout the garden and on the large side porch. Their sense of humor extended to their names for compost bins: A Frond Farewell, Grateful Dead, Sense of Humus, and A Waste of Thyme.

Noted in closing, but certainly not least, are H. ‘Clarification’ (Richard Norris, 2002), a purple eyed and edged pink/lavender; David Kirchhoff’s fabulous peony double, H. ‘Amethyst Cream Truffle’ (2002); and a very dark red tetraploid, H. ‘Raspberry Suede’ (Blaney, 1998).

It was a great pleasure to visit this beautiful garden for a second time.

WILLET BLOOM GARDENS
Heidi and Todd Willet
8995 Woodview Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231
By Sharon Fitzpatrick, Canal Winchester, Ohio.

As the bus pulled up to the curb of Todd and Heidi’s Willet Bloom Garden, an enthusiastic Heidi boarded the bus, flashed a huge smile and gave everyone a hardy garden tour welcome. The Willet Bloom Garden was made up of several different theme gardens that encompassed a large corner city lot. The first garden I came to was an enchanting heart shape garden containing daylilies with heart in each cultivar’s name. An adorable well trained cocker spaniel, who answers to the name of Gunner and enjoys being the center of attention, primly sits on a mosaic stone at the point of the heart.

Scene stealers of this garden were a huge clump of the 2005 signature bus plant created by Jeff Salter especially for the 2005 National, *Hemerocallis* ‘In the Heart of it All’ and an outstanding clump of H. ‘Broken Heart’, this years Florida Sunshine Cup winner. To the left of the drive a clump of H. ‘George Jets On’ with a ruffle of white and blue alyssum was strutting its stuff. Along the white impatiens bordered driveway garden, light creamy H. ‘Evelyn of the house was a delightful creation containing airy spikes of lavender Russian Sage that provided a special complement to *Hemerocallis* ‘Odds and Ends’. A clump of H. ‘Teller of Tales’ was shouting. H. ‘Black Mingo’ was grown to perfection. White campanula provided a backdrop for H. ‘Mary’s Baby’. I couldn’t keep away from a clump of H. ‘Topguns Double Eyeful’ (Scott 1999). In the guest plant garden a bright red H. ‘She Devil’ was stealing the show.

Heidi’s landscaping accomplishments have come a long way since her first garden by numbers plan from Spring Hill Nursery in 1997. In 2000 she discovered daylilies came in colors other than yellow, joined the local daylily-hosta club, and off she went. Her collection has grown from 160 to 800 cultivars in 5 short years. It was a pleasure to have been able to share her excitement for all plants and creatures. Heidi’s love of gardening oozed from every nook and cranny of this well manicured garden.

TRANQUILITY GARDEN
Carrie and Jack Brueggemann
401 Werner Drive, Ft. Wright, Kentucky 41011-3639
By John Sheehan, Madison, Wisconsin.

When our bus pulled up in front of Jack and Carrie Brueggemann’s Tranquility Garden, I knew that I was in trouble as usual. I was filling in for a good friend writing up a report on this garden for the AHS Region 2 Newsletter. As usual, my mindset was certainly not TRANQUIL as I hustled off the bus with my digital camera, notepad...
and pen in hand. How would I get enough notes together before the bus captain blew that d— whistle?

Even before I arrived at the first garden bed in the front yard, I caught sight of a railroad crossing sign a couple of houses down the street—what kind of a neighborhood was this? Was there a Metro-like commuter train station in the area? Nope. It turns out that Jack’s neighbor, Larry Koehl, is a train buff and welcomes visitors with his unique sign.

When I had visited the Brueggemann’s garden in 2001, I remembered that their back yard was most interesting to me—that was where the daylilies were growing and that is where the strawberries and whipped cream were being offered to garden visitors!

Today, however, there were beds of daylilies in the front yard—by the sidewalk. The first bed contained daylilies that were identified with red plant labels—what a great idea—all of the guest plants here and at the other convention gardens had red labels AND most of the guest plants were situated together in a single area rather than being scattered among all of the beds. These guest plant beds became magnets for visitors.

Four guest plants that caught my eye stood out boldly in the morning light. They were H. ‘Betty Ford’ (Kirchhoff 2002); H. ‘Homeplace Honor’, (2003 Cindy Dye); H. ‘Spacecoast Gold Bonanza’, (2002 John Kinnebrew); and H. ‘Papal Robes’, (2001 John Rice). A second bed to the left was populated with bright daylilies and provided us with a “Christmas in July” theme.

Carrie’s and Jack’s brick home was shaded by two huge trees—one a red oak, the other a big gum tree. Shade-loving plants filled the beds along the front of the house. At the end of the driveway, just as I remembered, there was an arborway pointing the way to the “Secret Garden” in the nether regions of the back yard. In 2001 there was a nifty Bob Carr (1999) introduction called H. ‘Beyond Riches’ planted just to the right of the arbor way—yes, there it was and looking just as beautiful.

As I looked around I noticed that major changes had taken place in Jack’s yard. The lay of the land was changed and the “Secret Garden” area was completely revamped. Jack says that the Cincinnati Utility folks had gone wild replacing sewer pipes and telephone lines throughout the back yard forcing him to reconstruct the whole area.

On each end of the back yard are beds with small statues. One bed honors the patron saint of gardeners, St. Fiacre. A statue of the Irish Saint sits in the middle of the bed with St. Fiacre holding a spade and an armful of flowers—Could those be daylilies? In front of the statue is Steve Moldovan’s 1999 registration, H. ‘Saint Fiacre’.

The other bed honors H. ‘St. Francis of Assisi’, the Patron Saint of animals and the environment. Here, the statue of St. Francis is part of a bird bath reflecting the lore that St. Francis could talk with the animals. Of course, in a prime spot, is Moldovan’s 1994 Registration, H. ‘Francis of Assisi’.

I checked my watch and realized that we were going to have to get back on the bus pretty soon—I needed more time to absorb the details of the Brueggemanns’ beautiful garden layout. I checked with Jack and sought an invitation to return on Sunday to revisit the garden. Of course, being the perfect host, Jack said, “Sure just walk in—Carrie and I will be at church—make yourself at home.”

On Sunday my traveling buddies, Hiram Pearcy, Gene Dewey, Gene Woehler, and I returned to Tranquility Gardens. This time even I was tranquil—I could leisurely walk around the property and not have to think about the clock! I left my pants by the guest plants and headed to the back yard. This time I noticed Mr. Turtle’s welcoming smile as well as Elizabeth Salter’s nifty 2003 registration, called H. ‘Blue Oasis’ planted by the driveway. Oh, to have a 7 inch version of this 3.5 inch beauty!

Passing through the arbor gate again, I entered the “Magic Garden.” Not only is the garden magical to the eyes, it is a technical wonder. This area of Tranquility Garden rests on a very steep slope. Jack has created a series of switchbacks with long lengths of gardens in place each running parallel to the hillside; each connected by a semicircle array of steps. The pathway is formed by cobble stones which sinuously guides our footsteps down the path. Because the parallel gardens are so long and hold our attention, we forget that at each turn we are going 5-6 feet downhill. Embedded in the first turn was a hexagonal stepping stone containing the form of a colorful daylily. It was so beautiful, I stepped around it.

The first long bed on the uphill side was raised—not just 6-8 inches but at least 2 feet. The plants in these beds were close both laterally AND vertically. H. ‘Brookwood Lee Causey’ (Sharp 1998) was striking with its big, bold eye shouting, “See me!” As a direct contrast, the small, delicate H. ‘Brookwood Eleganza’ (Sharp 1999) showed a delicate pink color with gentle ruffles and green throat. On the edge of this bed was Carrie’s 2000 cutie, H. ‘My Gal Sal’. Usually, I have to bend way over to get a good look at a 2.75 inch flower on an 18 inch scape. Not here. With no effort I got a close look at that intense purple face with its purple-plum eye.

In a corner of this bed, hiding among the daylilies were three “Little People” hoarding a pot of silver coins. They seemed oblivious to the fact that they were surrounded by nature’s treasures. Amber gold H. ‘Mauna Loa’ (E. R. Roberts 1976); Mike & Kathy Chenet’s 1995 bright yellow/gold H. ‘Home Cooking’ and David Kirchhoff’s 1996 H. ‘Ciel D’Or’ towered above the magical creatures. There also was a clump of bright yellow gold calla lilies. You know, perhaps these “Little People” who are usually found with a pot of gold, realized that they WERE among Mother Nature’s golden treasures and were just keeping tabs on their silver.

At the end of this bed was a huge clump of Curt Hanson’s H. ‘Erogenous Zone’ (2000). All of the blossoms were in perfect, rose-pink form. By the way, even before heading out to church, Carrie and Jack must have deadheaded the spent daylily blossoms. Nowhere was one in sight! On the right side of this pathway were gorgeous roses. One was a stunning double coral and white variety called ‘Double Delight’; another was called ‘Victorian Lace.’ On one side of the roses was the purple coneflower, Echinacea ‘Ruby Giant.’ On the other side was situated Monarda ‘Marshall’s Delight’ with its bold, pink blossoms.

As I looked to the bottom of the hill, I could see that Jack had planted a line of various grasses that defined the end of the garden area. One that caught my eye was Miscanthus sinensis ‘Cosmopolitan’ showing wide leaves with white stripes. Another was Miscanthus sinensis ‘Gracillimus’ (also known as Maiden Grass). This is a fine textured grass that will turn golden bronze after the
Betsy was mostly a shady one, however, and she now marvels at her parents were both avid gardeners. The homestead of her child-
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One might not expect it; however, the zoning laws in Cincinnati allow for the presence of a small condominium in the Brueggemanns’ back yard. In this case this structure was designed and built by Carrie and consists of dozens of bird houses hanging from the branches of a Star Magnolia tree. After the tree provides its showy profusion of flowers in the spring, the tree becomes the home of dozens of birds who do not seem to mind the busy “condo” life-style.

Also in the back yard is another American sweet gum tree. These trees are really interesting to me because they do not grow in Madison, Wisconsin, (Zone 4). The leaves look kind of “maple-like” and Jack says that his ‘Burgundy’ variety turns a beautiful red-burgundy color when the cool, crisp nights of fall come to Cincinnati. My feet discovered another feature of this tree—the seed pods are woody, spiny-balled structures. These rascals do not provide a great environment for grandchildren to run around barefoot!

My ears attracted me to the last big attraction at Tranquility Garden. I could hear the sound of running water and remembered the shady, fenced in area adjacent to the house. This area contains a waterway leading to a shady pond replete with water plants including papyrus and dark green lily pads and is inhabited by bright colored koi. All kinds of shade-loving plants are situated here along with a patio area with comfortable furniture and a portable grill. This spot, just outside the back door, must provide the perfect shady spot for company (and Jack & Carrie) to relax. At this point my pals and I thanked Jack for his hospitality and headed back to Madison. It was great fun having a leisurely visit at Tranquility Gardens.

**NEW LONDON KNOLL**
Betsy Detmer
1562 New London Road, Hamilton, Ohio.
*By Julie Gridley, Chardon, Ohio.*

New London Knoll is the 3 ½ acre estate of Betsy Detmer and is the place she has called home for 37 years. Its name was taken from the road in front, New London, and the word “knoll” seemed appropriate for the rise of land on which the house sits. From there, the sweeping front yard slopes down to a large pond and a bed of daylilies which are the first taste of what awaits in back.

Betsy has been gardening for as long as she can remember, as her parents were both avid gardeners. The homestead of her childhood was mostly a shady one, however, and she now marvels at the fact that her parents were growing extensive shade gardens at a time when hostas were not readily available. As she moved on and started developing her own gardens, Betsy came across a bed of tall, white irises which had a daylily plant in the middle. She moved that plant to its own spot and started to pay closer attention to other daylilies she saw. When she offered to help clear out some beds of a local man, Mr. Krekler, who hybridized both peonies and daylilies, she came home with some new plants that fueled her interest. She was soon introduced to the Top 'O the Hill nursery, where all daylilies cost just $5 a clump at the time. The day she visited a different grower and paid $30 for *H. 'Siloam Double Classic’*, she declared that she had all the daylilies she could ever want. That was several years and many, many daylilies ago, needless to say!

Right: *H. ‘Adopt Me’*. Image: Julie Gridley

Below: This seedling daylily by J.R. Blanton drew many comments in more than one of the tour gardens. Its garden name is “Little Red Squirrel.”
*Image: Heidi Willet*

Betsy’s garden includes a wonderful mix of old and new daylilies, but she has developed a special fondness for pinks and doubles. She has come to appreciate and seek out plants that have good vigor and health in her area and in the clay soil native to the region. In this search for healthy plants, Betsy has learned that Bryant Millikan bred many daylilies that do well in her area, as did the woman whose work built on his program, Marge Soules. Betsy amends her clay with compost, but her philosophy in general is that plants which earn a place in her garden need to be tough enough to thrive in clay. Moles present a challenge, too, as they tend to turn under any mulch that is used by their tunneling.

Betsy considers herself a general gardener who happens to specialize in daylilies. She aspires to have a garden with year-round interest, so she plants self-seeding annuals like poppies, larkspur, and cleome for summer bloom, and in the spring her beds are filled with daffodils. She also has a nice collection of epimediums and hostas that stay cool under her trees. And, speaking of trees, at one corner of her yard is a huge ornamental pear tree that impressed all who saw it. Betsy planted it 34 years ago and attributes its long life to the fact that it is an older variety which doesn’t share the weakness of the newer hybrids. Even our more expert tree lovers were astonished by the size of this specimen.

Betsy had prepared a large bed for guest plants and hosted many from Brookwood Gardens. During our visit, “Mr. Brookwood” himself, Leo Sharp, held court near the display of his beauties and enjoyed them with the rest of us. Looking especially striking at the time was ‘Brookwood Amenable’, a glowing gold blend with lots of substance and ruffling. We also enjoyed the more subtle and feminine ‘Brookwood Dorothy Schafer’, a 3-inch cream pink blend with nice form and plant habits.
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Program

Thursday, February 2, 2006
1:00 pm  Register and Hospitality
          The Gallery Rooms –
6:00   Dinner as a Group – Not Included
          Buffet at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo

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Richard & Helen Porter – KY
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          Tim Bell – GA
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Saturday, February 4, 2006
8:00 am  Bagels, Doughnuts, Coffee (complimentary)
8:30   Welcome and Introductions
8:45   Beating the Bees
          Paul Acoin – AL
9:30   Questions and Answers
9:40   Stretch Break
10:00  Lasagna Gardening
          Pat Lanza – TN
10:45  Green Eggs & Ham, What’s Next?
          Ted Petit – FL
11:30  Lunch on Your Own
1:30 pm  Hybridizing Iteration or Re – Search?
          Linda Sue Barnes – NC
2:15   Green Side Up – (The care and feeding of DL’s)
          Dan Trimmer – FL
3:00   Stretch Break
3:15   What the Future Holds – Picture Show
          Jay Turman – TN
4:00   Bringing the Outside In
          John Rice – KY
4:45   Questions and Answers
5:00   Region 10 Business Meeting – Finley Hall

Saturday Evening
6:15 pm  Fellowship – Cash Bar
7:00   Dinner (Included) Special Diets – Ask Server
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8:30   Invitation to Attend the 2006 National “Lifestyles of the not so rich nor famous”
          Melanie Vassallo – NY
8:55   UFOs – Their Secrets Revealed
          Ned (Spiderman) Roberts – CO
9:40   Stretch Break
10:00  Knee Deep In – (Water Features and Gardens)
          Richard Koogle – MD
10:45  Questions and Answers
11:00  2006 Introductions – Picture Show
          Jay Turman – TN

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12:00 pm  Adjourn  (delayed checkout pre-arranged)

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Nashville, TN 37215-1811  Digital@Daylilybiz.com
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Thank you to all of you who donated plants to the 2005 Region 2 E-mail/On-line Auction, and big Thank-You’s to all of you who bid on the offered cultivars and other items.

We appreciate your support!

Recent Donations to Region 2
By Bill Johannes, Treasurer

Thanks goes to the following group for their generous donations to Region 2 from March 1 through September 1, 2005:

- Wisconsin Daylily Society in memory of WDS Charter Member Marja Bennett.

Your gifts, payable to AHS Region 2, are very much appreciated. Unless their use is designated for a specific category, donations help defray the costs of the “Region 2/Great Lakes Daylily Newsletter” and other regional activities. Donations should be mailed to Bill Johannes, Region 2 Treasurer, 1964 Cardigan Ave., Columbus OH 43212. Donors will receive a letter acknowledging the donations.

Attention Region 2 Hybridizers!

- Since the Region 2 Englerth Award seedlings will also be eligible for Junior Citations in future years, a new sign for that seedling bed will tell Garden Judges that, if they want to include one of these seedlings on their AHS Junior Citation ballot, they can inquire about the hybridizer name and seedling number after the actual voting and announcement of the winning seedling at the 2006 Region 2 Summer Meeting.

- This reminder to Garden Judges might give Region 2 hybridizers’ seedlings an additional bit of deserved exposure.

- Region 2 hybridizers, please send your seedlings to any one or—better yet— all of the gardens listed in the right column of this page.

- Karen Watson-Newlin encourages Region 2 hybridizers to send multiple fans for 2008 as soon as possible. The Wisconsin Zone 4 growing conditions have mid-season blooms in middle July. The site bed will be watered regularly and is mulched. The location is a relatively windy site.

Looking Ahead

AHS Region 2 Meetings

- 2006: Region 2 Symposium, Feb 23-26, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2008: Wisconsin Daylily Society, July 18-20

Looking ahead at the National Convention Calendar

- 2008: Combined Texas Daylily Clubs, TX ......................... May 2008
- 2010: Valdosta Hemerocallis Society, GA ...................... May 2010

Region 2 Englerth Award

This hybridizing excellence award is open to Region 2 hybridizers exclusively. All seedlings and cultivars that have not been registered are eligible. Plants entered as candidates for this award are to be planted in one of the designated Region 2 Summer Meeting tour gardens and are to be marked with a code number only. All attendees of the Region 2 Summer Meeting are encouraged to vote on ballots to be supplied by the meeting chairperson. The award medallions are to be engraved with the winner’s name and are awards to be cherished.

To enter your seedling, ship enough fans of the plant so that it has a good chance of blooming on the day of the tour. Information about future annual regional meetings and the shipment of plants for Englerth consideration and as guest plants follow below.

Contacts and shipping info for Englerth Award candidate plants:

- 2006 – Northeast Ohio Daylily Society
- Hosts of the 2005 AHS National Convention
- Perennial Post
- Clara Miller
- 7751 State Route 534
- Middlefield OH 44062
- Contact person for shipping seedlings: Julie Gridley: 440-285-8922/e-mail: jgridley@alltel.net

- 2007 – Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana
- Mary Phillips
- RR#2 Box 188
- Princeton IN, 47670
- Please call 812-385-4529 before shipping in June and July, to ensure someone will be here to receive and plant.

- 2008 – The Wisconsin Daylily Society
- Karen Watson-Newlin
- 7699 Almor Drive
- Verona WI 53593
- Tel: 608-827-6180 E-mail: watsonnk@verona.K12.wi.us
American Hemerocallis Society
Region 2 Symposium 2006

The Hilton Cleveland South
6200 Quarry Lane, Cleveland, Ohio
February 23, 24, 25, and 26, 2006

Come Share the Camaraderie and Celebrate America’s Favorite Flower

Featured Speakers
Linda Agin, Pratville, Alabama
Charles Douglas, Georgetown, South Carolina
Joe Goudeau, Baker, Louisiana
Don Jerabek, Indianapolis, Indiana
Barry Jordan, Allegany, New York
Don Lovell, Marshalltown, Iowa
David Kirchhoff of Sanford, Florida
Allen McLain, Belzoni, Mississippi
Dave Mussar, Puslinch, Ontario, Canada
Nikki Schmith, Dearborn Heights, Michigan
Melanie Vassallo, Long Island New York
Steve & Sarah Zolock, Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania

More to be announced, so please watch our Region 2 web pages and AHS E-mail Robin announcements!

Highlights
♦ Garden Judges Workshop 1
♦ Slides of Future Introductions and Seedlings
♦ Live Auction and Light Comedy with Kay Day, David Kirchhoff, and friends!
♦ The Hilton’s Fabulous Grand Buffet on Saturday Night

Please send slides to:
Slide Chair Richard Norris
18995 Hooper Ridge Road, Rt. 3, Glouster OH 45732
Tel: 740-767-3946 E-mail: norashwd@frognet.net
***Slides must be received by February 13, 2006!

Symposium Chair Curt Hanson
11757 County Line Road
Gates Mills, Ohio 44040
Tel: 440-423-3349
E-mail: crintonic@core.com

Registration Information
$90.00 per person ..................................
must be postmarked on or before Feb. 13, 2006
$110.00 per person ................................
postmarked after February 13, 2006
$40 per Youth .......... postmarked anytime

Make checks payable to: AHS Region 2
Mail to:
Registrar Lee Underschultz
29998 Houston Road
Little Hocking OH 45742
Tel: 740-989-2405
E-mail: fireflyhollow@1st.net

Note: A detailed Schedule of Events will be mailed with your registration. You can also print one from our Region 2 web pages http://www.ahsregion2.org sometime later this fall.

Meeting/Lodging

The Hilton Cleveland South
6200 Quarry Lane
Cleveland OH 44131
Telephone: 216-447-1300, 9 am to 5 pm

Contact hotel directly and mention the AHS Daylily Meeting to get the special room rate of $84 single or double plus tax if booked by February 1, 2006.

The hotel has free airport shuttle service.

AHS Region 2/Great Lakes Newsletter
Region 2
On-line Pre-Spring Daylily Fling Auction
...DONATIONS NEEDED!

By Nikki Schmith, Region 2 Ways and Means

The Annual Region 2 On-line Auction is preparing for takeoff once again! Please consider donating a daylily to this year’s auction. Although some of us feel like we always give and give and give, it is that continued generosity that inspires others to start giving. If you have never donated in the past, try it! We all know that in sharing our fortunes, however modest they may be, we in turn become richer.

This is a great opportunity to support the region, and get some great daylilies spread throughout the region. It is also a great way for hybridizers to get their introductions distributed.

Guidelines for donating:
1. Donate a plant (or two or three) to the Region 2 On-line Auction.
   • Plant value should be near $40.00
   • Send cultivar name, year, hybridizer, and value to
     Nikki Schmith
     248-739-9006
     schmiths@msn.com
     25729 Annapolis Avenue     Dearborn Heights, MI 48125

Guidelines for bidding:
1. Log on to the Auction website at www.ahsregion2.org beginning, Monday, March 3, 2006 and place your bids!**
   • New real-time auction software will place bids automatically, so you can see your bids immediately!
2. Auction will end Wednesday, March 15, 2006 at 8:00 pm CST. Payment will be due immediately following the close of the auction. Winners will be contacted by Nikki Schmith for payment arrangements. Shipping will be arranged nearest the winners planting time, or at a time otherwise agreed upon by the parties.

Notes: For detailed bidding instructions and other information, please visit the wonderful regional website at www.ahsregion2.org. Be sure to visit often because the website will be updated as donations are listed. **Please watch the web page for possible change of dates!

Dues paid for membership to the American Hemerocallis Society are not used to support regional functions. The newsletter alone costs in excess of $8,000.00 per year to publish, and it is events like this auction that keep it going!

Thank you to all donors who have already pledged the plants, to those who will, and to all of you who will bid!
**The Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award Winner**

**Miss McKenzie Williams**

by Judy Heath

I am very proud to introduce you to Miss McKenzie Williams. McKenzie became the seventh recipient of the Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award at the AHS National Convention in Cincinnati this year.

McKenzie is the 16-year-old daughter of Eric and Judy Williams and the granddaughter of Don and Lea Ann Williams. McKenzie is a junior at Mater Dei high school in Evansville, Indiana and lives with her parents and two brothers. McKenzie stays very busy with many school activities and has two part time jobs. She is a Youth member of the Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana.

McKenzie is no stranger at the Region 2 and AHS National meetings. She has been attending with her grandparents for many years. As a youth member, she is always ready to help and talk to everyone. If you hear laughter, it is very possible McKenzie is there!

The Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award gives the winner a Life Membership in the AHS. McKenzie submitted an essay and pictures of her daylily collection and explained why she enjoys growing daylilies. A panel of judges evaluated and selected the winning application.

**Our hats are off to McKenzie, “a super young lady.”**

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**The AHS Youth Committee Members vote for the following award:**

**Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award (1996)**

The Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award was initiated by Patrick and Grace Stamile to honor the memory of their daughter Christine. She was a Life Member of the AHS who once expressed the thought that a Life Membership gives, to its holder, daylilies for that person’s “whole life.” In keeping with this thought, the award presently funds one Life Membership in AHS in the year in which the award selection will be announced. If requested, all material (essay, statement, and photographs) should be mailed to the curator of the Youth Award specimens.

The rules of eligibility and application are as follows:

- The applicant must be a current Youth Member and must have held AHS membership for at least two consecutive calendar years prior to receiving the award.
- The applicant must grow and maintain a personal collection of daylilies; no minimum number of cultivars is required.
- The applicant must submit the following material:
  - An essay of any length, in the Youth Member’s own words, explaining how the collection began.
  - A statement, in the Youth Member’s own words, telling of the personal enjoyment of growing daylilies.
  - Ten photographs from the Youth Member’s own collection. These photographs must include
    - one example of an individual bloom.
    - one example of a clump.
    - one example of a garden view which includes a part of the Youth Member’s collection.
- Instructions for applying are published in the Winter issue of The Daylily Journal.

**From The AHS Bulletin Board**


**AHS Registrar Gretchen Baxter announced:**

When a name is being printed within an AHS publication (journal, newsletter, etc.), the cultivar would need to be listed as such:

- *H. ‘Strawberry Candy’* (The H should be placed in italics)
- If the cultivar is printed outside of a Hemerocallis publication, the *H.* should be indicated as *Hemerocallis*
- ‘Strawberry Candy (*Hemerocallis* in italics) This will make sure readers know we are referring to a registered daylily and not possibly a hosta or other plant genus.
- Below you will find a mixture of the correct “upper and lower” case of numerous examples.
  - Beauty of Bath not Beauty Of Bath
  - David McCosh not David McCosh
  - Purple-leaved Group not Purple-Leaved Group
  - Baden-Baden not Baden-baden
- The International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants (ICNCP) feels it is best practice to use upper and lower case as this gives more precise information.

**AHS Board Member and AHS President-elect Kevin Walek explains further:**

The following guidelines are very basic and are not intended to cover every usage. These are correct according to the ICNCP.

The genus name, *Hemerocallis*, is always capitalized, italicized and written out entirely in the first reference (to a specific plant or to the entire genus) in an article. Subsequent references can be abbreviated to *H.* However, if there is an intervening genus such as Hosta in the article, the next reference to Hemerocallis must be fully spelled out. The Cultivar name is enclosed in single quotes and is always capitalized. Cultivar names are not italicized. Many scientific, botanical, publications prefer to fully spell out the genus name at the beginning of each paragraph. And allow the abbreviated form thereafter in the paragraph. *The Daylily Journal* will use this method.

The following are correct usages:

- One of my favorite plants is *Hemerocallis* ‘Strawberry Candy’. But *H.* ‘Last Flight Out’ is a close second. Species names are in lower case and italicized, but not included in single quotes: *Hemerocallis minor*.

**Note from Editor:** Watch for more detailed information on this topic in the AHS Winter Journal.

The remaining photographs may be of the Youth Member’s own choosing.

Instructions for applying are published in the Winter issue of The Daylily Journal and the Fall/Winter issue of the Youth News newsletter. All material (essay, statement, and photographs) should be mailed to the current AHS Youth Committee Chairman, postmarked no later than March 31 of the year in which the award selection will be announced. If requested, all material will be returned upon completion of the judging.

The AHS Youth Committee members will evaluate the entries and select the winning applicant by vote. The award will be presented at the AHS National Convention.

**Source:** AHS *Judging Daylilies* Handbook, A1-3, Personal Awards.
Dr. Charles Branch Awarded the 2005 AHS Bertrand Farr Silver Medal

By Region 2 Director Joanne Larson

Dr. Charles E. Branch, Piper City, Illinois, has been awarded the American Hemerocallis Society’s highest honor for outstanding results in the field of hybridizing: The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal. Dr. Branch was named the recipient on July 2 at the Society’s annual convention in Cincinnati, Ohio. Only 12 daylily breeders from the Region Two 5 Great Lakes States (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin) have won this prestigious award since its establishment 55 years ago.

Joanne Larson, The Region 2 representative member of the national American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) Board of Directors, presented the medal to Dr. Branch on August 13 at the Branch home in Piper City.

Also present were Region 2 Vice President Gisela Meckstroth of Reynoldsburg (Ohio) and Carol Natte, owner of Great Lakes Daylilies, Grand Rapids (Michigan), introducer of his flowers. Edna Branch, wife of Dr. Branch, and other family members, and AHS members from Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana helped celebrate the presentation ceremony.

The Farr award honors a labor of over half a century in Dr. Branch’s case. He began hybridizing in 1945 and registered his first 4 cultivars in 1954. In 1964, one of his cultivars, named Hemerocallis ‘Hortensia’, was registered and proceeded through the AHS awards and honors competition to be awarded the prestigious AHS Stout Silver Medal in 1972, the highest award any registered daylily can win. Doc Branch has hybridized thousands of daylilies and registered approximately 200 cultivars with AHS, always striving for superior bud count, branching, and northern vigor.

Dr. Branch is a very knowledgeable daylily mentor who has shared his experience and techniques willingly. He has been very generous in donating plants for projects in Region 2. He has also supported various beautification projects in Piper City.

Dr. Branch, a graduate of Monticello High School, attended Illinois Wesleyan University and is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Champaign, and from the University of Illinois Medical School in Chicago. He located his first practice of Medicine and Surgery in Piper City in 1934, a practice which grew to include two other doctors. From 1951 to 1954, he volunteered for active duty in the US Air Force Medical Corps and was stationed at Chanute Field in Rantoul. He returned to medical practice in Piper City in 1954. Since retirement in 1978, he has devoted his time to the breeding of daylilies.

The American Hemerocallis Society is a plant society with membership of 11,000 in 15 geographic regions of the US in addition to international members of many countries.

The AHS Bertrand Farr Silver Medal

This medal is a distinguished honor for members who have attained outstanding results in the field of hybridizing. For the Bertrand Farr Award, a complete review should be made of the accomplishments of the hybridizers considered. A list of all awards (outside awards as well as AHS awards) and appearances on the Popularity Poll should be made. Special attention should be given to unusual accomplishments.

(Source: AHS Judging Daylilies Handbook, 2002 Revision)

Region 2 Recipients of the Medal:

David Hall, Illinois (1956)  
Elmer Claar, Illinois (1959)  
Orrville Fay, Illinois (1962)  
Hubert Fischer, Illinois (1968)  
Wilmer Flory, Indiana (1969)  
Brother Charles Reckamp, Illinois (1973)  
Bryant Millikan, Indiana (1991)  
Steve Moldovan, Ohio (1992)  
Curt Hanson, Ohio (2002)  
Charles Branch, Illinois (2005)
It’s likely that a century from now some youngster working at his mother’s side in the garden will be struck by the delicate beauty of a bloom.

A daylily, perhaps. Its compelling color, its graceful petals lifting and falling on a warm summer breeze igniting in him something spiritual. Something timeless.

If so, he may very well have Dr. Charles Branch to thank for it. In any case, “Doc’s” peers in the society of daylily purists, otherwise called the American Hemerocallis Society, certainly think so. On Saturday, near the enduring daylily gardens of Doc’s Piper City home, the 11,000 member society bestowed upon him its highest honor for outstanding results in the field of daylily hybridizing — The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal.

It is the crowning honor of a daylily hybridizing career filled with honors and distinctions, and a matter of great pride for the 97 year old country surgeon by whose hands generations of Piper City youngsters made their arrival into this world — among them this writer.

But Saturday’s honors were due to other arrivals he’d given birth to, including the stunning daylily called ‘Hortensia’, which won for him the society’s Stout Medal in 1972.

There have been legions of others, of course. And many of them comprise the “bloodlines” which that 22nd-century youngster may one day wonder at as he wanders through the mysteries of his mother’s garden. After all, that’s how it all got started for Doc.

“It goes back to my childhood,” he says of the genesis of his passion for coaxing things of rare beauty from the soil’s dark womb. It was around 1915 on the family’s 80 acre farm near White Heath, Ill., west of Champaign.

“My mother let me help her in the family garden and I enjoyed it. I had to be around 8 or 9 years old. I asked her if anybody, when they grew up, did gardening as a vocation. She said they did.” But other interests intervened. After graduation from Monticello High School, then later the University of Illinois, Doc entered medical school at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Gardens were far from the mind of the struggling medical student in those Depression-wracked years of the early 1930s. After spending endless hours in class his evenings were spent manning the med school’s switchboard, fighting to stay awake and struggling to read required text to prepare for the next day’s classes.

**Piper City arrival**

But in 1934 Doc arrived in the tiny Ford County farming village of Piper City driving a well-worn tin Lizzie. A tour of the mud road countryside soon followed as the freshly minted physician introduced himself to the scores of farm families who inhabited the still largely un-electrified rural areas.

It was then that the passion first discovered in his mother’s garden renewed itself and took hold of his life with an intensity that would last the decades since.

“When I first came here I had a lot of time on my hands and just a few patients. But I had to be here to answer the phone.”

In fact, neighbors recall the phone box that for decades stood in the middle of Doc’s daylily gardens. And they remember its ringing and his lifting himself from some daylily labor to answer the call.

That was almost always followed by his quick walk to the house to grab his bag, and even quicker departure in his car.

**Daylily focus**

Doc credits his neighbor for his eventual turn to daylilies as the focus of his flower breeding passion. Marmian Scott, or “Lawyer Scott,” as he was known to the average village resident, was a hybridizer of peonies. Though he passed away decades ago, Lawyer Scott’s peonies still are plentiful throughout the community.

“I went to his garden many times and I saw the pleasure he got out of his hybridizing,” Doc recalls. “And finally I decided that’s what I wanted to do as a hobby.”

I picked daylilies to work with because they take two years from the time you set the seed, whereas peonies take six or seven. So that’s the way I landed in daylilies.”

For about a decade, beginning in 1972, the pressures of a rapidly expanding practice caused him to put aside the time-consuming practice of hybridizing.

“But I finally went back to it with a vengeance,” he says, then laughs.

For those unfamiliar with hybridizing, the effort has its significant risks. In a story written about Doc 18 years ago, he revealed that a chemical used in the process in the early years of his hobby was a known, powerful carcinogen, if not handled with absolute precision.

**Special honor**

Doc’s latest honor was to have been delivered July 2 during the society’s annual convention at Cincinnati, but these days Doc’s travels are self-limited to around 50 miles from his Piper City home.

The daylily society decided it wanted to make a special effort to work around Doc’s limitations. So on Saturday, a delegation of society officials brought the medal presentation to Doc’s door, virtually steps away from the gardens, where he produced ‘Hortensia’ and so many others.

This was a large enough and important enough award, we wanted to do something special,” said Joanne Larson of Barrington, AHS Region 2 Director. Locals attending included Randall Klipp of Manteno, president of the Prairieland Daylily Society, and his wife Margaret; and Lester and Betty Bedore, also of Manteno.

Doc retired from practice in 1978. He has since retired from hybridizing. Fanciers of his flowers from across the U.S. have made the pilgrimage to Piper City to buy his plants and carefully transport them to new homes.

That, in itself, is not a bad tribute to a “gardener,” his mother would be proud.

This article was written by Mike Lyons (E-mail: mlyons@daily-journal.com, Tel: 815-937-3377) and printed in the The Daily Journal, Kankakee, IL 60901, Monday August 15, 2005, Section B. It is reprinted here with permission from Mike Lyons.
Double Medal Winner Dan Bachman

2005 Region 2 Englerth Award
2005 AHS Region 2 Service Award

Since 1987, Region 2 hybridizers, amateur and professional alike, have competed for the Englerth Award for Hybridizing Excellence. This award is to encourage and promote Region 2 hybridizers and is in memory of Lawrence and Winifred Englerth of Hopkins, Michigan.

This year, a third one of Dan Bachman’s seedlings has won this prestigious award. To win the Englerth Award three times is a precedent. In 1999, his seedling, later registered as *Hemerocallis* ‘Ben Bachman’, won at the Region 2 Summer Meeting in Columbus, Ohio. In 2001, his seedling, later registered as *H. ‘Coleman Hawkins’*, won at the Region 2 Summer Meeting in Chicago, and this year, his seedling 00-53 won at the AHS National Convention in Cincinnati. The seedling is pictured on our back cover.

The Englerths were longtime members of the American Hemerocallis Society, and Winifred was a charter member. Both were hybridizers, growers, and active promoters of daylilies for many years. Winnie was known for introducing daylilies with high bud count. It is an award to cherish, and we can be sure that the Englerths would have been proud of Dan’s hybridizing achievements. Geraldine and John Couturier, formerly from Region 2 and who now reside in Region 10, must have had such a repeat winner’s achievements in mind when they donated the medallions for the award.

Dan is also the recipient of the meritorious 2005 AHS Service Award for his dedicated efforts and contributions to Region 2. He is a member of the Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society and has served as chair for Region 2 Summer Meetings in 1994 and 1996. He contributed his talent, labor, and resources to help his local club sponsor the 2005 AHS national convention, and he was the guest plant chair for the 2005 convention.

On the national level, he served as Garden Judges Chair and has served for many years as Garden Judge, Garden Judges instructor, and as Exhibition Judge. For many years, Dan has consistently and generously donated plants for the newsletter fund-raising on-line/E-mail/write-in plant auctions, the Region 2 summer meeting plant auctions, and the Region 2 symposium auctions. When Region 2 members and committee chairs need help with some daylily activity, all they have to do is ask Dan.

Dan and his wife Jackie maintain an AHS Display Garden and operate a commercial daylily nursery, *Valley of the Daylilies*, in Lebanon, Ohio.

### Winners of the Englerth Award:

- 1987 Steve Moldovan
- 1988 Dennis Anderson (‘Indy Charmer’)
- 1989 Alfred Goldner (T38-63)
- 1990 Philipp Brockington (‘Coburg Pink Wink’)
- 1991 Lee Craigmyle
- 1992 Charles Applegate (‘Land of Promise’)
- 1993 Dennis Anderson (‘Indy Seductress’)
- 1994 Charles Applegate (‘Morning has Broken’)
- 1995 No award given
- 1996 Arthur Blodgett (‘Romona’s Memory’)
- 1997 Ed Myers (‘Little Summer Star’)
- 1998 Howard H. Reeve Jr. (‘Grandma Kissed Me’)
- 1999 Dan Bachman (‘Ben Bachman’)
- 2000 Leo Sharp (‘Brookwood Marian Cavanaugh’)
- 2001 Dan Bachman (‘Coleman Hawkins’)
- 2002 Gus Guzinski (‘To Go Boldly’) (pre-registered)
- 2003 No award given
- 2004 Jamie Gossard (JG/00/2)
- 2005 Dan Bachman (00-53)

### Recipients of the Region 2 Service Award:

- 1989 Harris Olsen, Michigan
- 1994 Leo Sharp, Indiana
- 1996 Hiram Pearly, Wisconsin
- 1997 Hal Rice, Michigan
- 2001 Lu and Orville Dickhaut, Illinois
- 2002 None awarded
- 2003 Lea Ann & Don Williams, Indiana
- 2004 Curt Hanson, Ohio
- 2005 Dan Bachman, Ohio

### Notes:

- The criteria for selecting an Englerth Award winner were printed in our Fall 1999/Winter 2000 regional newsletter.
- *Englerth Gardens* is sometimes called *Englearth Gardens*, but the Herrema family prefers to use the family name Englerth.

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**About Dan Bachman**

By Gisela Meckstroth

**Dan Bachman receiving the 2005 AHS Region 2 Service Award from Region 2 Director Joanne Larson. Image: Oliver Billingslea**
Dorothy Warrell Wins the 2005 Hite Award

Dorothy Warrell — Right ‘On the Dot’

By Sharon Fitzpatrick and Gisela Meckstroth

The Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing Excellence was awarded to Dorothy Warrell during the 2005 Region 2 Annual Business Meeting, held in conjunction with the AHS National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio. With this high award, Dorothy has joined the ranks of distinguished Region 2 hybridizers.

Dottie, as she is known to her family and friends, started growing daylilies in the 1940’s. After her marriage to “Boots” Howard Warrell, followed by a 1958 move to the Granville (Ohio) area, she continued growing and hybridizing daylilies, and she opened her Dottie’s Iris Garden in 1963. One of her customers traded some Wilds daylilies for iris, and soon, she purchased more daylilies from Wilds. An advertisement in the Columbus Dispatch newspaper got her acquainted with Franklin McVicker, the 1967 Stout medal winner for Hemerocallis ‘Full Reward’ (McVicker-Murphy 1957). McVicker introduced her to the daylily societies and daylily gardens in the local area, and by 1973, Dottie was selling her seedlings along with the daylilies, bringing about the change of her garden’s name to Twin Beech Gardens. She joined the Ohio Hemerocallis Society (OHS), which later became The Ohio Daylily Society, and she served as an officer for 10 years. During those years, she chaired the daylily show three times. Dottie also started a newsletter for the OHS and thereby helped increase membership for the society.

Since these early beginnings, Dottie has registered 60 cultivars and pre-registered 7 daylilies. The best known of her cultivars is, probably, H. ‘Holly Dancer’, a diploid spider of the clearest red, vibrant color, that produces about 25-30 buds and is extremely fertile. It has been converted to tetraploidy and is being used by hybridizers in the US and in Europe (images of the diploid and tetraploid were printed in the Region 2 Spring-Summer 2005 Newsletter, pp. 4 and 21).

During the long Ohio winter month, Dottie devotes herself to designing and hand crafting daylily, butterfly, and bird Afghans. Her work is well known, and her designs have been published in top national magazines (Herrachners, Mc Calls, Annie’s Attic, and Crochet Fantasy).

Dottie and “Boots” are busy people during bloom season, and she was unable to come to the annual Region 2 business meeting in Cincinnati. Garden Judges Liaison Sharon Fitzpatrick, a longtime friend and supporter of Dottie’s hybridizing efforts, and Region 2 VP Gisela Meckstroth presented the well-deserved Hite Award to Dottie in her garden.

Above are just three images that show what new daylilies will soon come from her gardens. Images (taken with macro-lens setting) by G. Meckstroth

Note:
2006 Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing Excellence

Nomination Form

Nominations for the Hite Award are made by AHS Region 2 members. Use this ballot form and attach additional information if desired. (Form may be photocopied)

For more information, please refer to the Hite Award history and a listing of previous Hite Award winners on page 35.

I wish to nominate: ______________________________

because: __________________________________________

_____________________________________________

_____________________________________________

_____________________________________________

Signature: ______________________________

Complete this form and mail on or before March 1, 2006, to:
RVP Gisela Meckstroth
6488 Red Coach Lane
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

AHS Awards & Honors Earned by Region 2 Members at the 2005 National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio

The Bertrand Farr Silver Medal
Dr. Charles Branch of Piper City, Illinois. Read more about Doc and this highest meritorious award on pages 32-33.

The Region 2 Service Award
Dan Bachman of Lebanon, Ohio. Read about Dan’s double-medal win on page 34.

Best Newsletter of Article About a Hybridizer:

AHS awarded Sharon Fitzpatrick this prestigious award for her article, *Steve Moldovan’s Quest for a Piece of the Sky*, printed in our Spring-Summer 2004 Region 2 Newsletter. Her article was reprinted in the AHS Daylily Journal, Vol. 60, No. 3, Fall 2005. What an honor for Sharon and for Region 2!

Image: G. Meckstroth

Mildred Schlumpf Award:


Region 2 Club Newsletter Award

This award was established in 2001, and it is to recognize the quality of club newsletters in Region 2 and to honor these club editors.

Procedures and criteria:

- The award shall be based on publications issued during a single calendar year and shall be presented by the Region 2 Awards and Honors Chair at the Annual Meeting the following year.
- The award may be given more than once to any club in successive years, but not more than once to any specific editor of a local club newsletter.
- The RVP, RPD, and Editor who are in office during the year for which the award is given shall determine the Award.
- Voting shall be based only on the information that is directly received by each officer.
- The criteria for evaluation SHALL include the following: diversity and quality of content, timeliness of information, timeliness and consistency of publication.
- The criteria for evaluation MAY include any of the following: graphic layout; incorporation of pertinent photos; and incorporation of other graphics (logos, figures, etc.)

Winners to date:

2001  Marcia Razor, Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society
2002  Harold Steen, Daylily Society of Southeast Wisconsin
2003  Bill Johannes, Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society
2004  Rosemary Kleinheinz, Wisconsin Daylily Society

Region 2 Awards and Honors Committee Chair Hiram Pearcy presenting the Region 2 Club Newsletter Award to Madison Wisconsin Daylily Society Editor Rosemary Kleinheinz for her 2004 newsletters.

Image: Courtesy RPD John Sheehan
The Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) is proudly celebrating its 20th year in 2005. The little snowball that initiated the MCDS avalanche coalesced at an organizational meeting with 21 attending on September 8th, 1985, at Inniswood Metro Park in Westerville, Ohio, and it has been growing ever since. Today it is one of the largest in AHS, with 333 members, of whom 165 are AHS members, including 11 Youth members.

Although Columbus had a long history of devoted and distinguished hemerocallians, and had even hosted an AHS Region 2 meeting in 1983, no local club existed before 1985. In August, Bonnie Gordon, Dick Henley, and I decided to call the 13 members listed in the American Hemerocallis Society roster to ask if they would be interested. With the enthusiastic support and help of most of the other area daylily “old-timers,” such as Dorris and Lura Emig, Bernie and Dora Mae Grebus, Handy Hatfield, Gene Kepler, Ruth Pardue, Don Piper, and Bob and Marge Terbeek, notices were printed in the paper and elsewhere. Word was passed among friends and the organizational meeting set. Given that only 13 AHS members were in the area and not all of them attended, the turnout of 21 at that first, tentative, meeting was encouraging. There were new faces, and all were excited at the prospect of a local daylily club.

At the second organizational meeting on November 3, the name Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society was established, a constitution was adopted, and a nominating committee was appointed.

The first official MCDS meeting was held November 24. The slate nominated by the committee was unanimously elected: Dick Henley, President; Bernie Grebus, Vice-President; Janet Withers, Treasurer; and Pat Crooks (Henley), Secretary. To kick off the treasury, 21 “Charter” members paid $10 dues for the “honor” that first year. Since then, dues have been $5 for individuals.

Ruth Pardue, then the Education Director at Inniswood, volunteered to chair an AHS-accredited show to be held on July 6. Thanks to her long experience with daffodil shows, she knew how to do all the paperwork and invite judges. She also knew how to recruit talented arrangers, and so MCDS had the unusual distinction of being able to award the AHS Tricolor Rosette at its very first show [and every show since] with 20 entries in the artistic division. With 129 daylily entries in the Horticultural Division, it was a good first showing by any standard. Competition was already stiff, with high quality entries earning purple rosettes in several classes, including an AHS Queen of Show Rosette for Hemerocallis ‘Stand In’ (by a local hybridizer, Dottie Warrell) entered by Dorris Emig. Sweepstakes Rosette went to Bonnie Gordon. DeMoye’s Greenhouse donated gift certificates for the top award winners, and Inniswood Volunteers presented an engraved silver tray which is still awarded to the Queen of Show winner. As an educational event at Inniswood, some of the expenses were defrayed, so that MCDS had to pay only $300 for its share. A good thing, since the treasury only had about $400.

The first grand social event was a caravan tour on June 29th visiting the gardens of Don Piper, Dick Henley, Dick Meyer, and Ken & Shirley Jones.

On August 30, a plant sale set the example still followed today, with generous plant contributions from members bringing in $482. MCDS ended the year with $224 above its expenses, and has been well in the black ever since.

To celebrate the year’s success, Ruth and Bill Pardue invited members to their home for a potluck-dinner party in December. The dinner became an annual event, but soon outgrew being held in members’ homes!

We like to think the robust growth of MCDS results from the early and ongoing emphasis on friendliness, inclusiveness, generosity, sharing, contributing, and educating—not to mention just plain having fun. The Henleys, the Emig sisters, Bernie and Dora Mae Grebus, and Donna Dietsch are among the few Charter members still active, in addition to others mentioned.

Here are images of some still active Metropolitan Columbus DS’s charter members.

Left: Lura and Dorris Emig. (Image: Sharon Fitzpatrick)
Below middle: Donna Dietsch with her 2005 MCDS show, blue ribbon winning arrangement. (Image: Sharon Fitzpatrick)
Below right: Dora Mae and Bernie Grebus. (Image: Sharon Fitzpatrick)
In 2004, a number of members of the Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS) began to discuss the need to establish a public educational display garden for daylilies in the Columbus, Ohio, area. Prior to this time, a daylily garden had existed at Inniswood Gardens, but was eliminated to construct the Sisters’ Garden. A daylily display garden was also established at Franklin Park for Ameriflora in 1992, but it was eliminated in 1999 due to upkeep and maintenance problems.

A preliminary committee held discussions with Franklin Park Conservatory about the possibility of establishing a daylily display garden on the grounds of the Conservatory. Suggestions as to the possible types of display gardens included a Top 25 garden and a Stout Medal garden. After much consideration, representatives thought that a garden featuring Ohio daylily hybridizers might be the best direction to follow. A committee of MCDS members met in March, 2005, to formalize a plan for the display garden. The committee adopted the concept of an Ohio Daylily Hybridizers’ Garden as part of the celebration of the 20th anniversary of MCDS. Barbara Arnold, a horticultural design associate with the Conservatory, attended a meeting and presented a plan to create five display beds to be located adjacent to the Tour Entrance of the Conservatory. Her plans also included the addition of other plant materials to add structure to the beds.

The design highlights an historical approach to displaying the work of the Ohio hybridizers. The garden consists of a bed featuring daylilies from the 1920s through the 1970s; beds for the 1980s, the 1990s and the 2000s; and a bed featuring American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) award winning daylilies. Members conducted research using the AHS registration checklists to identify all those individuals who had hybridized and registered daylilies from 1893 until the present. An initial list of 65 individuals emerged. Further research increased the number of names on the list to over 70 known Ohio hybridizers.

By the end of April, 2005, the five beds created by the staff of the Conservatory were ready to plant. MCDS members solicited donations to help fund the costs for signage, soil amendment, plant acquisition, and the eventual production of a piece of interpretive literature. A list of potential plants for the garden was derived from the registration records, Eureka, and other plant catalogs, as well as on-line resources. Hybridizers associated with the MCDS, the Ohio Daylily Society, and the Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society generously donated their favorite introductions, and many members donated clumps from their gardens. By the middle of May the planting sessions began. Initial plantings installed 112 cultivars in the five beds. Planting was carried on into August and early September.

Currently, the garden has 160 cultivars registered from 1929 through 2005. The awards bed has over 30 Ohio-bred cultivars, including both Stout Silver medal winners: *Hemerocallis* ‘Full Reward’, won in 1967 by McVicker-Murphy, and *H. ‘Primal Scream’, won in 2003 by Curt Hanson. In 2006, plans are to collaborate with the Central Ohio Daffodil Society to incorporate daffodils hybridized by Ohioans into the garden.

The MCDS will dedicate the Ohio Daylily Hybridizers’ Garden in conjunction with its 2006 Annual Show. An application for approval as an official AHS Display Garden has been submitted. Future plans include the establishment of a species bed, also near the tour group drop off area. Visitors are already impressed by the luxuriant growth and bloom of our favorite flower.


♦ Image at top of page: Columbus Metropolitan Daylily Society members working on the project.

♦ Note: All images courtesy Karen Ciula
companion planting is near and dear to my heart; I’ve grown daylilies in what is known as mixed borders for years. I grew up on an organic farm and monoculture was considered a dirty word, even in the 1960s. “The more diverse the plantings, the healthier the garden,” “feed the soil, not the plants” and so on. After gardening intensely for many years, I have found those litanies to be true. It also makes for a more interesting garden with a very long period of color and texture and evokes the artist in me. Having moved to a new place a few years ago and had the overwhelming experience of building large garden areas in one season instead of over a period of years, I have this to share.

To anyone wanting to diversity their daylily gardens, I would recommend starting with small shrubs that are mixed into the garden beds. Annuals and other perennials can be added once the structural plants are in place. As I was building my gardens the first year, I spent 90% of my plant budget on small trees and shrubs, knowing that these needed to be in place first to build a woody structure that would show off the daylilies and other plants to their best advantage. By the end of the first season, the garden looked like it was in its third year rather than its first. Medium to tall shrubs are great background builders but what I look for in shrubs that mix right into the border are polite beings that mind their manners in the garden, stay reasonably small, respond well to pruning and shaping, and offer great foliage from spring through fall. Flowers are a bonus, though I do use small shrub type roses in the same way, especially the polyantha types. I rarely use needled evergreen shrubs mixed in the border, as their foliage can be permanently damaged if they are shaded too much by other plants.

Most of my “backbone” shrubs are hardy in Zones 5-8, but it pays to visit botanical gardens in your area to see what would grow well for you. The following plants form the foundation of my Zone 5-b garden and work quite well as part of a garden featuring daylilies.

**One Step Closer to a Mixed Border**

By Lynn Purse, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

I have limited myself here to the small inexpensive border shrubs that are easy to grow and easy to add to a daylily bed.

**Barberries (berberis)** are an extremely useful group; the green ones were used in town gardens in Pittsburgh for years as hedges, known colloquially as “jagger bushes” and were good for keeping the neighbor kids out of your yard. Fortunately for the gardener, many small and beautifully colored ones are now available and they rarely self seed like the species types. Favorites are *Berberis* ‘Crimson Pygmy’, which stays 1.5-2‘, and emerges in spring with almost black foliage that turns a dark burgundy. *B. ‘Bagatelle’* is very similar. Both work very well with hot colored daylilies, the deep red foliage acting as a foil to the brighter flower tones of red and orange. A new red barberry on the market is *B. ‘Concorde’, another dwarf that has more of a purple cast to the foliage instead of burgundy—this one looks great near the dark rose purple daylilies like *Hemerocallis* ‘Nosferatu’ (Hanson 1990) and *H. ‘Round Midnight’* (R. Mercer 1992). A particular favorite is *Berberis* ‘Rose Glow’, which has mottled rose and burgundy foliage that I like to pair with dark eyed daylilies like *Hemerocallis* ‘Siloam Merle Kent’ (P. Henry 1984) and vibrant rose lavenders like *H. ‘Chance Encounter’* (Stamile 1994). Barberry ‘Rose Glow’ needs more pruning in the spring to keep it a manageable size; just cut out any long straight stems at the base and keep the short twiggy growth (protect yourself with long sleeves and gloves—these plants are thorny!). *B. Helmut’s Pillar* is another burgundy leaf cultivar that grows in columnar form, very useful for a punctuation point at the end of a bed. Being new and unusual, it is still somewhat pricey. The golden barberries are useful as well; the yellow *Berberis* ‘Aurea’ is best in some shade while *B. ‘Bonanza Gold’* can take full sun but is a brassier shade of gold. Both of these combine beautifully with yellow selfs and whites edged in gold, like *Hemerocallis* ‘Wedding Dance’ (Joiner 1983), as well as purples and lavenders with yellow throats.

Spires are another great plant for the daylily garden, offering foliages of gold, coral, and bronze, transform into soft chartreuse in May,

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_Hemerocallis ‘Nosferatu’ in front of Berberis ‘Rose Glow’_

A pink carpet rose, *Spiraea ‘Shibori’* and *Hemerocallis ‘Berlioz’* (Moldovan 1983) and *H. Wind Frills’* (Tarrant 1978)
bloom pink in June when I cut them back for new foliage growth as a foil for daylilies in July. Autumn color is a spectacular flame blend. I always have a few of these to mix with daylilies in the coral, apricot and gold range, a simply spectacular combination. For a gentler color approach, try S. ‘Golden Princess’ or other cultivars with softer yellow foliage and paler pink flowers.

*Spirea* ‘Shoribana’ or ‘Shibori’ (spelling found both ways) has lovely green foliage but blooms in a blend of pink, white, and rose flowers from May to October if deadheaded. It stays under 3’ for me and is a great plant to place with pink and white daylilies. It also looks great with white daylilies with rose or purple eyes, such as *Hemerocallis* ‘Pandora’s Box’ (Talbott 1982).

A new spirea on the market is ‘Mellow Yellow’ – its willowy leaves are a pale yellow in color and arch gracefully all season, with delicate white spring flowers. The foliage keeps its color all season, even in partial shade. I’ve planted *Hemerocallis* ‘Etched Eyes’ (Kaskel 1994) and *H.* ‘Brookwood Black Kitten’ (Leo Sharp 1995) in front of it for a bright color contrast.

Weigelas are a great old fashioned plant available in a wide variety of foliage colors, but most are large enough to qualify as background shrubs. The exception is a new dwarf version of ‘Wine and Roses’ called ‘Midnight Wine’. It stays around 2’ and has lush wine colored foliage with deep rose flowers in May and some rebloom in August through September.

*Euonymous fortuneii*, not the flaming shrubs of fall, but the small evergreen types that creep and crawl around the garden are an extremely useful clan, but prone to spider mites if grown in too dry or hot conditions. They will take partial shade, making them well suited for growing under small trees and at the edge of shaded beds. They keep their foliage year round, making them as useful as a foil for daffodils in spring as they are for daylilies in summer. They root where they touch the ground but are not invasive in my clay soil; I just cut off the rooted pieces and plant them elsewhere. Favorites include *Euonymous* ‘Emerald Gaiety’, a variegated green and white, *E.* ‘Emerald and Gold’, a variegated green and gold, ‘Blondy’ and ‘Moonshadow’, both of which have a much higher percentage of gold in the variegation, and ‘Harlequin’, which stays very low and has a very sophisticated grayish green and white variegation on a very small leaf. I particularly liked *E.* ‘Harlequin’
Tracy DiSabato-Aust.

Caryopteris is a great small shrub that blooms clear blue flowers in August. Most have a silvery foliage but one, C. ‘Worcester Gold’ has a luminous gold foliage that is a great backdrop for daylilies in July and a highlight in August on its own. I am fond of putting lavender eyed daylilies with yellow throats near this one.

I don’t put up with fussy plants in my garden; my goal is to have a beautiful garden, not baby-sit whiny plants. I don’t spray for either disease or insects, fussy plants get shovel pruned here. There are some small roses that fit the demands of my garden, with flowers from May to October, few diseases or pests, and that don’t mind jostling for space with other plants. Shocking but true, some are actually less demanding than my daylilies. The polyantha types are great flower producers but often have little scent, an advantage because Japanese beetles are also not attracted to them. Rosa ‘The Fairy’, blooms in pink trusses from mid-June until hard frost and is hardy to Zone 4. R. ‘Little White Pet’ (sometimes listed as ‘White Pet’) is another bloom machine and stays around 2’, pink buds, white flowers, perfect for blush pink daylilies like Hemerocallis ‘Susan Weber’ (Branch 1989) and H. ‘Lullaby Baby’ (W. Spalding 1975). Some of the smaller English roses work in the same way, blooming frequently and staying compact, but these are usually highly fragrant. Your favorites are the white highly scented R. ‘Fair Bianca’, peach colored R. ‘Tamara’ and R. ‘Ambridge Rose’, blush pink H. ‘Sharifa Asma’ and clear yellow H. ‘Golden Celebration’.

Ilex ‘Sky Pencil’ is a Japanese holly with small dark green leaves that grows in a very slender columnar form. This is a wonderful plant for an evergreen punctuation point; I placed two flanking the entrance to my circular flower garden, with daylilies at their feet. It does need some discrete tying in the winter to keep the upright branches from splaying under the weight of snow, but its strong presence in the garden is worth the little extra work required.

Since I’m greedy for color over the life of the gardening year, I find using these small shrubs invaluable for adding interest and structure to my garden. My daylilies thrive and look even lovelier with shrubs as a foil for their flowers. For anyone who wishes to read more about combining plants in a mixed garden style, I highly recommend Anne Lovejoy’s book The American Mixed Border and The Well Designed Mixed Garden by Ohio gardener and writer Tracy DiSabato-Aust.

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Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society

By Nikki Schmith and Lee Alden

July always brings my favorite SMHS event, the Exhibition Show. The show this year was held at the First United Methodist Church in Birmingham. We had the good fortune to have 3 full panels of judges, most from out of state. Dave Bowman, Debbie Smith, and Willi Graham traveled from Kentucky, while JR Blanton came from southern Ohio to help make our show a success. Dr. Virginia Winkler and Judith Shaltry came once again from Illinois to judge as well. After carefully reviewing almost 160 scapes, the winners selected as follows:

Best Extra Large: .................. H. ‘Monster’ (Armand DeLisle)
Best Large: ........................ H. ‘Tuxedo Whiskers’ (Marietta Crabtree)
Best Small: ........................ H. ‘Coyote Moon’ (Becky Hutchins)
Best Miniature: .................... H. ‘Cosmopolitan’ (Nikki Schmith)
Best Double: ....................... H. ‘Topgun Helen Jones’ (Armand DeLisle)
Best Unusual Form: ............... H. ‘Ginger Twist’ (Armand DeLisle)
Best Youth: ........................ H. ‘Hey Mister Blue’ (Kylie Newman)
Best Popularity Poll: ............. H. ‘Primal Scream’ (Armand DeLisle)
Best Seedling: ...................... shown by Gary Faust
Best Stout Medal Winner: ........ H. ‘Ed Murray’ (Nikki Schmith)
Peoples Choice Winner: .......... H. ‘Blaze Away’ (Nikki Schmith)
Sweepstakes Winners: ............ Armand and Barbara DeLisle

We had a fabulous entry in the AHS Achievement Medal section that just had the crowd ooohing and aahing. Michigan hybridizer Greg Schindler is a name you should try to remember in the near future. I am sure you will all want the seedling he exhibited in this category as well as his H. ‘Matchless Fire’ and H. Apples Peaches Pumpkin Pie’.

Speaking of Michigan hybridizers, they were well represented by exhibitors in our show. Registered cultivars by Martin Kamenski, Pat Salk, Howard Hite, Gloria Hite, and Greg Schindler were shown to perfection. It is such a joy to see members of our club have success, both exhibiting and breeding, and sometimes both at the same time.

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plants, by contributing money, and by helping with sales—in short: by serving our region.

True, color and glossy paper are not necessary to bring news to our members, but today, almost all of us look forward to seeing images of our daylily friends and flowers as they look in real life. Also, color images and the printed characters themselves do look better on glossy paper. (By the way, did you know that we have lowered the actual USPS bulk-rate postage cost by using the glossy, but thinner paper?)

I hope to see you at our Region 2 Symposium, February 23-26, in Cleveland. If you have not been there before, why not do so in 2006! Curt Hanson arranged for another excellent lineup of speakers and activities.
Bay Area Daylily Buds
By Mike Morgan

Following up on our hosting of the Region 2 Summer Meeting, the year 2005 has also been quite exciting for the Bay Area Daylily (BAD) Buds. On 26 February, we held our first northern hybridizers’ workshop. Nearly 25 participants from around Wisconsin gathered for a day, during which they discussed the special opportunities and challenges that face northern hybridizers. Everyone expressed an enthusiasm for another meeting next February.

In May, soon after the permafrost had melted enough, preparation of daylily display beds began at the Green Bay Botanical Garden (GBBG). Over 150 newer cultivars now grow in the 5 beds that make up the initial GBBG-BAD Buds Display Garden. In this partnership, GBBG staff has responsibility for bed preparation, composing, and printing professional labels for each cultivar, and for watering the plants during a dry six-week period. The BAD Buds provided the cultivars and volunteers for planting, fertilizing, weeding, and deadheading. We are looking forward to working with the staff of GBBG this winter to develop appropriate educational materials that will be available in the Visitor Center.

At our May meeting we held our annual plant auction and adopt-a-plant event. On 23 July nearly 50 members gathered for a bus trip that featured a tour of Klehm’s Song Sparrow Farm and Nursery and visits to the wonderful gardens of John and Donna Sheehan and Tom and Rosemary Keinheinz in Madison. Our 7th annual plant sale will be held at the Green Bay Botanical Garden on 10 September during a 10th anniversary celebration.

Central Illinois Daylily Society
By Jo Ann Satterfield

We had a busy summer with many activities. It was a great day for our bus trip in June to Dan White’s garden in Glen Carbon and to the Meridian Garden in Dorsey. Our hosts extended warm welcomes, and we thank them for allowing us to visit.

We also held our first AHS accredited daylily show this year at Washington Park Botanical Garden with 151 scapes entered. We look forward to making this a part of our annual calendar of events.

Our members’ garden tours was a success! Those participating were Eric Schmidt, Bonnie and Charles Nichols, Bob and Barb Henry, Sandy Ellis, and Tom and Kathryn Hobby. We thank those members for sharing their gardens with us.

It was also nice to see Rich Ford’s AHS Display Garden again this year. Rich has increased his property adjacent to his garden, and we know it will not be long before we will be enjoying even more daylilies there, especially the late ones he is hybridizing.

Our picnic at Sandy and Dick Gabriel’s house was well attended, and we all enjoyed seeing the new varieties they have added to their garden. Our plant sale was chaired by Joe Geiger who did an outstanding job coordinating this event. The club sold 690 plants. Phil Korth from Penwood Gardens, Wisconsin, will be our September speaker. In November we will have a slide show of many of the gardens visited during the summer as well as slides of the AHS National Convention held in Ohio this year.

Central Michigan Daylily Society
By Bruce Kovach

Officers: (The same lineup as that of 2004-2005)
Bruce Kovach, President
Carol Block, Vice-President
Tom Sevcech, Secretary
Ginger Lisik, Treasurer

Calender of Events:
Nov. 19, 2005: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
Dec. 5, 2005: ........... Club Christmas Party (TBD)
Jan. 21, 2006: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
Feb. 18, 2006: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
Mar. 18, 2006: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
April 22, 2006: .......... Saginaw Zoo display garden clean up
May 20, 2006: .......... Perennial plant auction
June 25, 2006: .......... Club social (TBD)
July 1, 2006: ........... Garden Tour
Aug. 20, 2006: .......... Club social (TBD)
July 23, 2006: .......... Garden Tour
Sept. 9, 2006: .......... Daylily plant sale
Sept. 23, 2006: .......... Plant sale (Mount Pleasant Library)
Oct. 21, 2006: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
Nov. 18, 2006: .......... Regular Club Meeting (Mount Pleasant Library)
Dec. 6, 2006: .......... Club Christmas Party (TBD)

Please call Bruce Kovach, President, (989-689-3030) for details on our club or on any club event.

Northeast Ohio Daylily Society
By Doug Bowen

July Daylily Sale and Scape Event
Thanks to everyone that volunteered to make this year another successful event. We sold almost $3,500 in daylilies this year. Everyone that attended appreciated Penitentiary Glen’s hospitality, especially on Sunday for their 25 anniversary celebration. Special thanks go to Ann Chanon and Amy Doerger for chairing the daylily sale and scape event, respectfully. Think we should double their salaries! Also thanks to everyone that donated daylilies and scapes. Every donation was appreciated. A big enthusiastic thanks go to our very generous donors: Curt Hanson, Molly Melcher and Don and Judy Campbell.

Crintonic Gardens 2005
Hopefully everyone had a chance this season to visit Curt Hanson and his Crintonic Gardens. His open house in mid-July was an not-to-miss event. Not only could you hang out with Curt Hanson, our local world known hybridizer, but you could pick the brains and mingle with David Kirchhoff and Jeff and Elizabeth Salter as well. Members came through out the day, with food and drinks provided at dinner time through dusk.

The Sunday after the open house, Curt Hanson, David Kirchhoff, Juli Hyatt, and Doug Bowen took a rode trip to visit Clara Miller’s Perennial Post and Molly Melcher’s Garden. Both gardens were awesome. Amy Doerger met us at the Welchfield Inn, where we tested the fine cuisine prior to the planned 2006 Region 2 Summer Meeting tour luncheon. We picked Julie and David’s brains and got a lot of to do’s and not to do’s for 2006. I think we even roped both of them into helping us during the event!!

What started out as a quick drive out into the country ended up being an all-day affair. It just goes to show you, you never know what to expect when you arrive at the Crintonic Gardens. A warning…once you pull into the driveway, you may never leave!
Indiana Daylily-Iris Society (IDIS)
By Shirley Toney, Corresponding Secretary and Tim Poor, President

At our Indiana Daylily-Iris Society meeting Tuesday evening, we elected our officers for the following year, their terms to begin in October as follows:

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Judy Lemen, 1519 Broad Ripple Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46220-2333, (317)255-9675

President Jim Poor reports that the July 9, 2005, Indiana Daylily-Iris Society show had 182 entries on scape, 12 entries off scape, 5 entries in design, and 1 entry in crafts.

Best Extra Large Flower: H. ‘Flycatcher’ shown by Jim Poor
Best Large Flower: H. ‘White Comet’ shown by Carl Roberts
Best Small Flower: H. ‘Swingin’ Miss’ shown by Jim Poor
Best Miniature Flower: H. ‘Velvet Shadows’ shown by Jim Poor
Best Double Flower: H. ‘Almond Puff’ shown by Barbara Sanders
Best Spider Flower: H. ‘Dark Star’ shown by Jim Poor
Best Unusual Form Flower: H. ‘Firestorm’ shown by Jim Poor
Sweepstakes: Jim Poor

The public voted for the most popular daylily, which was H. ‘Dream With Daylilies’ by Peg Powers. The successful show drew 330 people.

The Wisconsin Daylily Society
By John E. Sheehan

It is hard to believe that the summer is over in Madison. WDS Members thoroughly enjoyed them selves at several events held this summer.

On June 19 Karen Watson-Newlin and Rob Newlin hosted our summer garden party in their spacious new yard. The pot luck meal was a big success; most members brought plants for door prizes and many of our members got their first look at Karen’s and Rob’s new home. Everyone raved about the big, open sided tent—we were in the middle of our heat wave. Incidentally, Karen and Rob’s place will be one of the Tour Gardens when our WDS Club hosts the 2008 Region 2 Summer Meeting. The Englerth Seedling Bed with be located there.

At least a dozen WDS Members made the trip to Cincinnati for the big 2005 AHS National Convention. Jerry Williams and his associates did a great job organizing this behemoth of an event.

The red labeled guest plant tags were a great idea as was clustering the guest plants in the Tour Gardens. No one had any trouble finding these newish plants. Giving everyone the same gift plant (Hemerocallis ‘In the Heart of it All’), (Salter 2005) showed great planning wisdom and also, again, demonstrated the generosity of Elizabeth and Jeff Salter. The banquets were smoothly carried out, the auction was run at breakneck speed (slow enough, though, for someone to spend $5300 for a Frank Smith future introduction to be called H. ‘Princess Diana’).

In July Ruth Horrall organized the 2005 WDS Garden Tour. Six WDS garden owners (Joanne & Barry Rowe; Judy & Lloyd Rave; Jane Gahlman; Rosemary & Tom Kleinheinz; Catherine & Jim Fitzpatrick; and Donna & John Sheehan) welcomed guests in the 95 degree blazing sunshine. Flowers and visitors held up surprisingly well. As expected, the bus loads of folks who visited the Pearcy and Sheehan gardens the day before were treated to frequent heavy rains and occasional bolts of lightening.

On July 31 our Annual Picnic was held at the West Madison Ag Station. During this afternoon gathering, which is growing more and more popular, about 50 “Adoption Plants” were distributed to happy “parents.” Some of the Daylilies adopted were H. ‘Forestlake Ragamuffin’, H. ‘Mort Morris’, H. ‘Sea Dragon’, H. ‘Spiny Sea Urchin’, and H. ‘Velvet Onyx’. The day ended with our WDS Auction during which our generous members bid on plants to the tune of about $2600 (gross). Event chairman and WDS President Jane Gahlman was justifiably happy with the day’s results.

During the weekend of August 13th Rosemary and Tom Kleinheinz organized our annual Daylily Plant Sale. Due to masterful organization and a hard working group of perhaps 75 WDS Member volunteers, the sale was again a great financial success. This Sale is our major fund-raiser—all of our programs: Adoption and Auction Plant; Garden Party; Annual Meeting Banquet; Speakers; Donations and funding the 2008 Region 2 Summer Meeting all come from this event.

Our 2005 Wisconsin Daylily Society year will end on October 15th when Elizabeth and Jeff Salter will travel from Florida to talk to our group. We expect about 100 of our 150 WDS Members to attend. It will be finishing the year with a bang!”

The Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana

By Tim Bleichroth, President

The Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana held our second annual Daylily Show on June 18th. The following are the results of the show.

Total number of entries: 256
Winners by Section:

Section 1 Extra Large Flowers: Judy Heath with H. ‘Rolling Like A River’
Section 2 Large Flowers: Valerie McCoy with H. ‘Celebration of Angels’
Section 3 Small Flowers: David Vaughn with H. ‘Devil’s Footprint’
Section 4 Miniature Flowers: Lewis and Rose Lyons with H. ‘All American Baby’
Section 5 Double Flowers: Mike Gray with H. ‘Spotted Fever’
Section 6 Spider Flowers: Judy Heath with H. ‘Curly Cinnamon Windmill’
Section 8 Youth Registered Cultivars: Shannon Hayes with H. ‘Ten to Midnight’
Best-in-Show: H. ‘All American Baby’, Lewis and Rose Lyons
Sweepstakes Award: Lewis and Rose Lyons
MCDS show chairs, Theda and Don Lossasso, reported these results of the July 10 show held at the Franklin Park Conservatory. The total number of MCDS members was 310, with 174 AHS members and 136 non-AHS members. A total of 317 scapes were exhibited and 384 visitors came to look at the beautiful scapes and designs.

Sections 1 through 10:

Extra Large Flower: ...... H. ‘Palomino Moon’ by Bill Johannes
Large Flower: .............. H. ‘April Fools’ by Bill Johannes
Small Flower: ............ H. ‘Siloam French Doll’ by Steve Williams
Miniature: ................. H. ‘Broadway Valentine’ by Cynthia Lucius
Double: .................... H. ‘Aubrey Johnson’ by Cynthia Lucius
Spider: ...................... H. ‘Holly Dancer’ by Bill Johannes
Unusual Form: ............. H. ‘Orange Splash’ by Dianna Gossard
Youth: ...................... H. ‘Dream Catcher’ by Mark Williams
Popularity Poll: ............ H. ‘Strawberry Candy’ by Dick Henley
Seedling or Pre-Registered Cultivar: James Gossard

Novice Award: ..............
Sweepstakes: ............... Bill Johannes
Triclor Award: .............. Corey Lucius

Award for AHS Awards:

Best-in-Show: ............... Bill Johannes
People’s Choice: ............. H. ‘Moses Fire’ by Cynthia Lucius
Runner-up (local award): .......

By Debbie Hurlbert and Doug Cellar

President Doug Cellar and Membership Chair Debbie Hurlbert reported these changes in ODS officers and activities:

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Show Results
Division I: 249 Scapes Entered
Division IV/Design: 18 Artistic Entries (Not enough entries to be eligible for AHS Awards)

By Bill Johannes

Editor’s note: Please read all about the Metropolitan Columbus DS’s 20th anniversary on page 37.

The Ohio Daylily Society

By Debbie Hurlbert and Doug Cellar

inviting anyone in the Central Ohio area who enjoys gardening and the daylily in particular, to join us for fun and fellowship.

Schedule of Events:

Sunday, November 13: ... Fall Meeting, Author, Michael Shadrack, speaker; 2 P.M., Franklin Park Conservatory.

Sunday, December 11: ... Holiday Potluck and Gift Exchange, 6 P.M., Franklin Park Conservatory.

Feb. 12, 2006: ... (Speaker to be announced later.)

May 7, 2006: ... Meeting and auction.

July 9, 2006: ... Show and dedication of the Ohio Hybridizers’ Daylily Bed.

August 19, 2006: ... Sale and auction.

Nov. 12, 2006: ... Meeting.


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Club Activity October 30, 1:30 pm, Kingwood Center:
Dan Bachman (MS Powerpoint Presentation). Please bring images of your garden on slides or CDs, and finger foods to share with members and guests.
**Chicagoland Daylily Society**

*By Holly Maves and Marilyn Graziano*

**The Purpose of the Chicagoland Daylily Society (CDS)** is to promote and encourage the growing and scientific study of the Genus *Hemerocallis*, together with the fostering and stimulating of public interest therein as designated by the membership at the Annual Meetings by:

- **Having Daylily shows**
  - Encouraging the visitation of members’ gardens
  - Having planned garden treks
  - Holding any other event which will create greater interest in the Genus *Hemerocallis*.

Show Chair – Holly Maves reports that the flowers were lovely, and the 34th annual Chicagoland Daylily Society Flower Show was a success in spite the drought. Special thanks to all who performed the various tasks necessary to stage the show. Also thanks to the exhibitors for sharing the beauty of your gardens.

Division I/Horticulture-Winning Entries

Section 1 Extra large: ............ H. ‘For All Time’, Longin Walis
Section 2 Large: .................. H. ‘Moonlit Caress’, Marilyn Graziano
Section 3 Small: ................... H. ‘Merciful Monks’, Bill Sevetson
Section 4 Miniature: .............. H. ‘Velvet Shadows’, Marilyn Graziano
Section 5 Double: .................. H. ‘Condilla’, Ron Korajczyk
Section 6 Spiders: .................. H. ‘Carolicolosal’, Ron Korajczyk
Section 7 Unusual Form: ........... H. ‘Christmas Ribbon’
Section 8 Youth: ................... H. ‘Ribbons of Highway’, Kendall Denham
Section 9 Popularity Poll: ...... No Entry
Section 10 Seedlings: ............... Patricia DelVecchio
Section 11 Achievement Award: ......... no winners

Division IV/Design – Winners

Section 1 Best of Show: .......... H. ‘Condilla’, Ron Korajczyk
Section 2 Sweepstakes: .......... Rosemary Balazs

AHS Best of Show: ...................... H. ‘Condilla’, Ron Korajczyk

CDS Most outstanding bordered, Banded, eyed or haloed:

H. ‘El Desperado’, Marilyn Graziano

CDS Most outstanding red:

H. ‘James Marsh’, Longin Walis

Right: Ron Korajczyk with his winning entry of *Hemerocallis* ‘Condilla’ (Grooms 1977) for Best Double and Best-in-Show.

Image: Courtesy of Marilyn Graziano.

**Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society**

*By Deborah L Gray*

We have had a very difficult and long dry summer, but we are hoping for a better 2006. Here are our new officers:

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**The Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society**

*By Charlene Patz*

The Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society had another great sumer of gardening activities. We held our 10th plant sale in May, our only money making project, and we are happy that it was very successful! This enables us to continue our work in the shade garden at Toledo Botanical Garden and the Daylily Walk, at 577 Foundation, The Stranahan Arboretum, and our book project at eleven area libraries.

Our annual picnic/members’ garden tour started in Bowling Green at the charming garden of Dawn and Chuck McCaghey and progressed to Carol and Charlie Harper’s recently finished terrace garden along the bank of the Maumee River. We then traveled to Waterville to visit the well tended and garden of Win and Phyllis Sturgeon before our potluck at the home of Donna and Otto Adler.

Win shared his secret of how he grows hostas and perennials to match those grown by Van Wade. Sixty members enjoyed the bountiful picnic and viewing the Adlers’ garden along the banks of the Maumee River. After lunch we visited the perennial flower garden of Pat Colpaert, who co-chaired the event and coordinated our garden tour. Then it was on to Mike Halloran’s who is one of our newest members and whose garden is fairly new. We proceeded to travel to Whitehouse to see Sheri and Dick Luedkte’s garden. The Luedktes added a pond feature and perennial gardens last year, and started a rose garden this year. We ended our tour at the home of Pat and Nick Athanitis who have lived in Whitehouse for 10 years. Their beautiful shaded yard with a pond and gazebo provided a relaxing finale to a very busy summer day!!

In August we held our annual daylily workday at Toledo Botanical Garden, digging and dividing daylily clumps in the daylily walk. In the afternoon we held our public auction of the host daylilies that our members returned after growing them for two years. Following the auction, more daylilies were distributed to our members to continue the Daylily Host Program.

For our September meeting we met at The Select Stone for a tour of their facilities and a talk on “Rock Scaping” by Debra Herr.

In October Hank Hiris from Elmore spoke on “Trees for Small Gardens.”

The year ended in November with our annual potluck celebrating our 10th year anniversary and a slide show of events held during the year, including the national hosta convention in Cleveland and the national daylily convention in Cincinnati.

Vicki Dillon, our vice-president, is busy lining up meetings and programs for 2006. On January 17th we plan to hold our annual dinner meeting with Kelly Heidbreder, author of “In the Garden,” a weekly feature in “The Toledo Blade.”

**Note:** More details on our schedule for next year will be available on the AHS Region 2 website (http://www.ahsregion2.org).
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The Face of a flower,
the warmth of the sun,
a friend to sit beside you...
the simple pleasures are best.

Marjalein Bastin
Would you like to see daylilies growing along the Internet Highway?

- Region 2 Web Site: http://www.ahrregion2.org
- AHS Web Site: http://www.daylilies.org
- Rust Information (Sue Bergeron’s Rust Page): http://www.ncf.ca/~ah758/rust.html
- AHS On-line Rust Survey Form: http://www.daylilyrust.org

Could you please provide your club news for the Spring-Summer 2006 newsletter in “story” format by March 1, 2006, to your editor.

- Please include photos or slides of your important club events and share them with our Region 2 members.

- Please update your RVP and editor about changes in your club’s leadership, their addresses, telephone numbers, etc.

- Any old Region 2 newsletters from pre-1998? If you are willing to donate or sell, please contact your RVP.
2005 Region 2 Englerth Award Winning Seedling 00-53 (Dan Bachman)

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